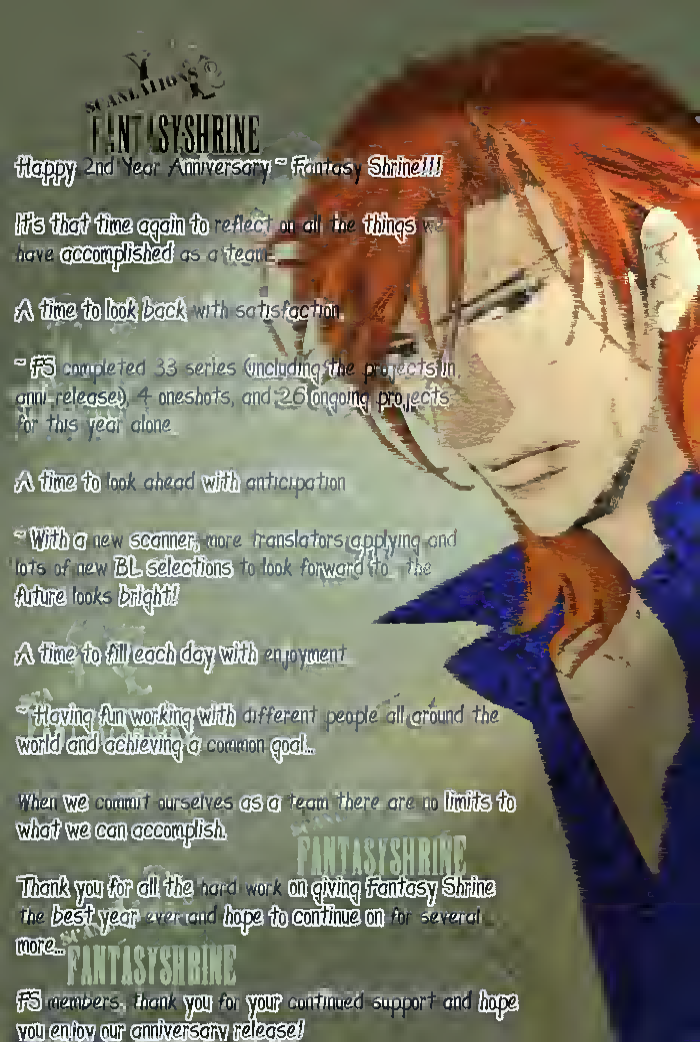

Happy 2nd Year Anniversary ~ Fantasy Shrine!!!

It's that time again to reflect on all the things we have accomplished as a team...

A time to look back with satisfaction

~ FS completed 33 series (including the projects in anni-release), 4 oneshots, and 26 ongoing projects for this year alone

A time to look ahead with anticipation

~ With a new scanner, more translators applying and tons of new BL selections to look forward to... the future looks bright!

A time to fill each day with enjoyment

~ Having fun working with different people all around the world and achieving a common goal...

When we commit ourselves as a team there are no limits to what we can accomplish.

FANTASYSHRINE

Thank you for all the hard work on giving Fantasy Shrine the best year ever and hope to continue on for several more...

FANTASYSHRINE

FS members, thank you for your continued support and hope you enjoy our anniversary release!

Nick: wisku
Position: "compulsive" translator
Message: I need a daily dose of bishies... ANYONE WILL DO!
FANTASYSHRINE
Nick: Typicloop (my wierd nick name...)
Position: Part-time Chinese Translator
Message: Typicloop is someone who can kill just for YAY OEY and has bad grade on English. In fact she has misspelled "Triple" with "Typic" but still so poor she's not able to correct it. She is addicted to pretty and hot bishies sometimes. She is obsessed with her bad fish gamo and Lord sama trouble with her bad grammar script. She is addicted to pretty and hot bishies sometimes. In the dark we can catch her watching for some YAy oEy/M.
Nick: Elcrane*gyr
Position: Snoozing Translator
Message: I just decided to join because I wanted my first time to be with a group that is
Long live the true FANTASYSHRINE
Nick: Lovemode
Position: Anti editor
Message: You know you want me
Nick: Ayr
Position: Japanese translator
Message: The lusty "Queen of hearts" goddess of Fantasy shrine
My beauty is next to Yelsong charm, my attractive is close to Ash-charm and I'm the charming goddess of Squall and Seifer in FS. I'm known as "Lusty Queen of hearts". Well actually I'm only made up for those who worship my goddess-like beauty hehehee JOKE
A former Mod-enemy for being so naughty but now's lusty translator
My message for you all is "a yaoi manga a day, keeps the stress away" trust me it's so effective
Nick: wisku
Position: "compulsive" translator
Message: I need a daily dose of bishies... ANYONE WILL DO!
FANTASYSHRINE

Nick Jelcona (aka Jeka)
Position Webmistress/FS Founder
Message Oh man!!! It's 2 years already
I mess really love Gio! Glad to be here
together with FS staffs & Mods Happy
2nd anniversary to FS~!!!
Nick Ishii
Position FS co-Instigator-in-Chief
(Chinese/Japanese Translator
Proofer, QCer & Project Coordinator)
Message Will do anything for bishies
Nick Shagg (aka Shagg-Nash)
Position Summer Global Whichever that means!
Moderator
Message I came as a teacher and ended up as a student
for Jeka's yaoi. Not kidding I'm also to blame for Jeka
being the idiot that she is. Not that happened but I just ate. Not
that I'm complaining. Where else could you find one
place where people yell at you and smash you all the time
Nick Yin
Position Assistant editor
Message there is never enough yaoi for me
Nick Shagg

~ Thank You! ~

This is a dedication for our hardworking
FS Forum Moderators
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Maya
6891nas_oken
Trix
who are always there to keep the FS forum running smoothly.

Always ready to welcome and guide; help with requests or inquiries; maintain manga sharing; and sometimes even reprimand anyone who break the Rules =>LOL<=.

Your tireless efforts and dedication are greatly appreciated by all.

Thank you for what you do
and keep up the GREAT work!

Also, a special thanks to all uploaders.
Everyone in FS are thankful
for your willingness to share
your collections to everyone.

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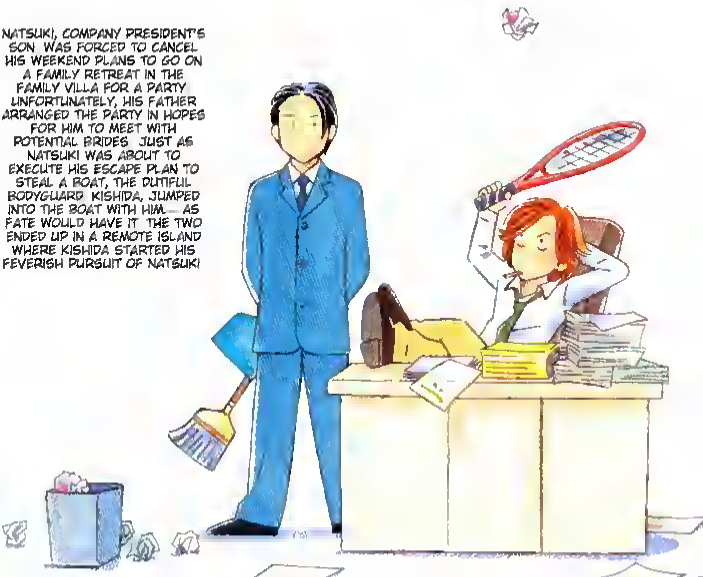
NATSUKI, COMPANY PRESIDENT'S SON, WAS FORCED TO CANCEL HIS WEEKEND PLANS TO GO ON A FAMILY RETREAT IN THE FAMILY VILLA FOR A PARTY. UNFORTUNATELY, HIS FATHER ARRANGED THE PARTY IN HOPES FOR HIM TO MEET WITH POTENTIAL BRIDES. JUST AS NATSUKI WAS ABOUT TO EXECUTE HIS ESCAPE PLAN TO STEAL A BOAT, THE DUTIFUL BODYGUARD, KISHIDA, JUMPED INTO THE BOAT WITH HIM... AS FATE WOULD HAVE IT, THE TWO ENDED UP IN A REMOTE ISLAND WHERE KISHIDA STARTED HIS FEVERISH PURSUIT OF NATSUKI!



MY BODYGUARD

Akemi Takaido

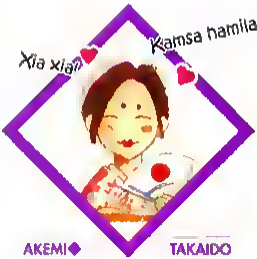
Hanaoto◆Comics Hanaoto◆Comics Hanaoto◆Comics

*KOREAN "THANK YOU!"

Kamsa hamida!

Xia xia!

*CHINESE "THANK YOU!"



AKEMI◆ TAKAIDO

Takaido Akemi

PROFILE

THE KOREAN AND TAIWANESE VERSIONS ARE FINALLY PUBLISHED
THE FACT THAT PEOPLE OUTSIDE JAPAN ARE READING MY MANGA IS QUITE SURPRISING... BUT THANK YOU, I'M REALLY HAPPY ♥

I THINK IT'S A GOOD THING...

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PLAN – O.N.O.

?
SORRY
EHP
HUGS

Oh--
20 SECONDS ALREADY--
Ahaha!
HUH?
HOLD ON! HOLD ON!
Shhhh
--- WHAT
THE HELL ---
STRUGGLE
10
9
8
7
OP WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING THERE--
5
4
6
DAMN

I CAN'T BELIEVE THOSE GUYS-- SORRY, THEY'RE ACTUALLY IN MY CLASS
THEY SEEM TO BE DOING SOME SORT OF A DARE
3
2
1
CLEAR!!
Sensei, don't stop us!
Oooh~
I JUST DON'T KNOW IF CAPTAIN ONO HAS FEELINGS FOR ME
DOES THAT MEAN HE DIDN'T CARE ONE BIT?
THE ONLY WAY TO FIND OUT IS TO CONFRONT HIM!
IT'S ONLY EXPECTED THAT I GOT TARGETED FOR THAT DARE
BUT CAPTAIN JUST SMILED AND LOOKED ON WHILE I GOT HUGGED
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "RARE"!
IT'S SO RARE TO SEE YOU FEELING UNSURE!
WELL, USUALLY YOU CAN GET EVERYTHING WITH THAT CUTE FACE OF YOURS

I JOINED THE TRACK TEAM ONLY BECAUSE I LOVE THE WAY HE RUNS.
I REALLY LIKE CAPTAIN
LIKE EVERYONE ELSE IN THE CLUB!
BUT I KNOW CAPTAIN LIKES ME, TOO
NOW THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE DIFFERENT FROM EVERYONE!
WELL...
I DON'T KNOW NOW BUT I JUST KNOW.
I'M SURE!
ARE YOU SURE IT'S NOT JUST WISHFUL THINKING IN YOUR PART?
WHAT MAKES YOU SO SURE...
STAND UP AND LOOK AROUND--
DO YOU SEE ANYONE CUTER THAN ME?
I REALLY WANT TO SEE YOU GET REJECTED ONE OF THESE DAYS!
HEY, YOU TWO! DON'T JUST MOVE YOUR LIPS! STRETCH!
SORRY!

IS THE PAIN IN YOUR THIGH SLOWING YOU DOWN?
SORRY
MISAWA, SENSEI IS WORRIED THAT YOUR TIME HAS SLOWED DOWN A BIT
Yessir!
CHANGE PARTNERS.
YES
My heart aches...
I THINK YOU NEED TO PACE YOURSELF PROPERLY YOU SEEM EXHAUSTED DURING THE 2ND HALF OF THE RUN
It's because I'm lovesick...
I... REALLY DON'T KNOW...
NO PROBLEM.
THANK YOU! SORRY TO TROUBLE YOU!
I'LL MONITOR YOU TODAY SO I CAN CHECK ON YOUR FORM.
QUIVER QUIVER

haff haff
haff
YES THANK YOU.
hee hee
WOBBLE
OKAY, THAT'S IT FOR TODAY.
hee
hee
hee
AH, YES...
AH!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
I scored ♥ Please let me just stay like this for a while..
WORK HARD
.....
YES...
STARTING TOMORROW, WE'LL WORK ON YOUR STAMINA AND MUSCLE BUILDING.
AS I THOUGHT, YOU LACK PHYSICAL STRENGTH
Captain ...

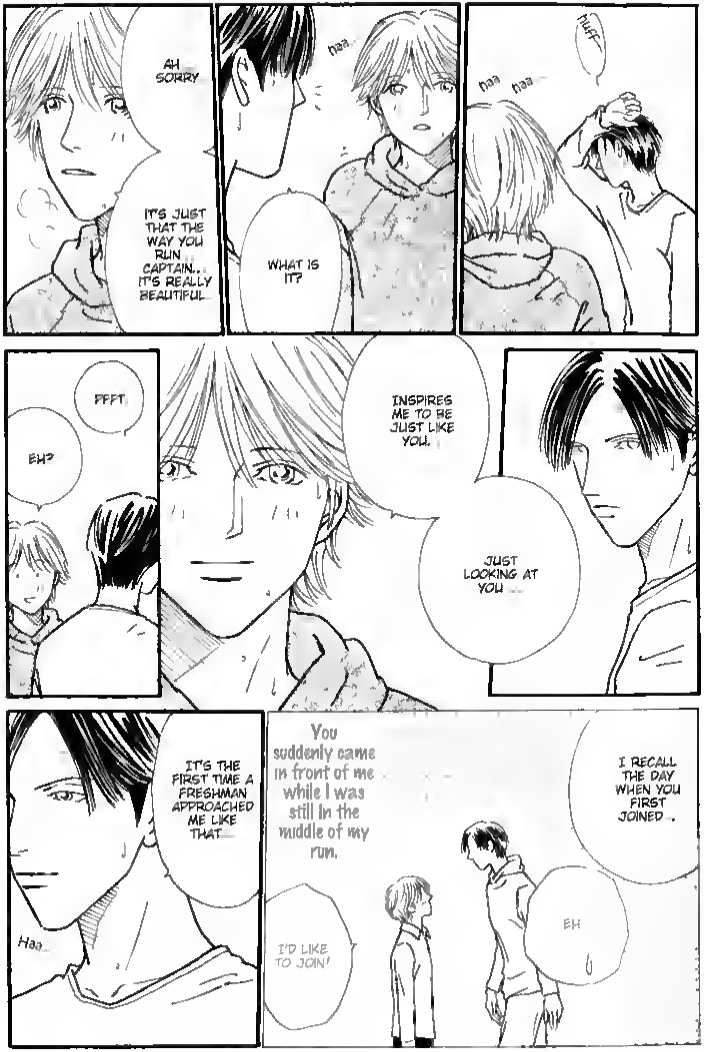
SO,
YOU TWO SPENT THE REST OF YESTERDAY TRAINING?
.....
SLUMP
TRAINING ONLY?
YEP.
Sigh...
I WONDER WHAT HE'S REALLY THINKING...?
OR MAYBE HE JUST WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR TIME?
I GUESS SO...
.....
HERE.
YOUR SOURCE OF CONFI-DENCE!
THIS WON'T DO. I NEED TO BE MORE AGGRESSIVE
Keep talking! Keep talking!
BUT IF I FOLLOW WHAT HE SAYS MY TIME WILL IMPROVE THEN HE WON'T WORK WITH ME ANYMORE
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
Which defeats your purpose of joining the club

COOL
Hm
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
?
EVER WONDER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU DID THIS NAKED?
KAGAMI
Could you please stop that!
RUFFLE
RUFFLE
RUFFLE
YOU'RE REALLY CUTE-- WANNA GO OUT WITH ME?
RUFFLE
IT'S MISAWA
YOU'RE MITA-KUN RIGHT?
FU

Don't just come as you please!
Ahahaha
CAPTAIN ONO YOU'RE SO STRICT
WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF CLUB ACTIVITIES WE'VE NO TIME TO JOKE AROUND
MAKING MY MOVE!
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?
YOU BETTER WATCH OUT!
HE MIGHT BE SERIOUS ABOUT ASKING YOU OUT
YEAH. HE'S AMUSING SOMETIMES... BUT...
ISN'T THAT CAPTAIN'S CLASSMATE? WHO DID THE DARE?
Was he worried about me...?
He came... to warn me...?
.....

Captain
--Did Captain see him as a rival?
DON'T TOUCH MY PROPERTY!
WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF CLUB ACTIVITIES WE'VE NO TIME TO JOKE AROUND
Ah... Can I take it as...
when he said
Then
I need to advance my position
THIS IS MY CHANCE!
and breach the barrier in one breath--
WOULD YOU MIND MONITORING MY TRAINING AGAIN TODAY?
ER. .
I'M HOPING THAT YOU COULD GIVE ME SOME POINTERS ABOUT MY PACE...
CAPTAIN!
I knew it
.. He's up to something.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
ALRIGHT SURE.
.....
Good luck
BEEP
Alright! Next!
hee hee
hee hee
hee


AH SORRY
IT'S JUST THAT THE WAY YOU RUN CAPTAIN.. IT'S REALLY BEAUTIFUL
haa
WHAT IS IT?
huff
haa haa
FFFT
EH?
INSPIRES ME TO BE JUST LIKE YOU.
JUST LOOKING AT YOU
IT'S THE FIRST TIME A FRESHMAN APPROACHED ME LIKE THAT
Haa
You suddenly came in front of me while I was still in the middle of my run.
I'D LIKE TO JOIN!
I RECALL THE DAY WHEN YOU FIRST JOINED .
EH

EH?
CAPTAIN, YOU ACTUALLY LAUGHED...
Haha...
Ashamed
PLEASE STOP MAKING FUN OF ME! I SURPRISED MYSELF, TOO
BEFORE I KNEW IT, I WAS ALREADY STANDING IN FRONT OF YOU...
AH... NOT AT ALL..
EVER SINCE I JOINED, I'VE ONLY SEEN YOU LAUGHED TWICE
IS THAT SO?
IS IT BAD? I MEAN...
EVEN THOUGH YOU HARDLY LAUGH, I KNOW YOU'RE A VERY GENTLE PERSON.
.....
...I
HAVE CERTAIN RESPONSI-BILITIES
CAPTAIN?

AS THE CAPTAIN, I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO BE A ROLE MODEL FOR OTHERS THROUGH MY ABILITIES OR CONDUCT.
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
AHP YES
!?
STRIKE
MISAWA!
AH, IT'S OKAY. I'M FINE..
ouch
SO SORRY!
AWWW--
WAS IT YOU WHO THREW THIS BALL?
NO, IT'S A THIRD YEAR.
THAT WAS A REALLY LOUSY THROW!! MAKE SURE TO TELL HIM FOR ME HE SUCKS.

IT'S RED DOES IT HURT?
PHIL...
AH! JUST MISSED!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT? LET ME HAVE A LOOK...
Be sure to tell him!
A LITTLE
HOW ABOUT HERE?
NO...
Captain...
YES...
OKAY, THAT'S IT FOR TODAY...
Gasp

IS IT STARTING TO FEEL BETTER WHEN YOU RUN?
EH... AH YES...
SCRUB SCRUB
if I could just push him a little more..
I can advance my position...
FSHHH...
This compliment is quite a letdown. What should I do now..
YES.
TRICKLE TRICKLE TRICKLE...
DON'T WORRY IT TAKES DAYS OF HARD WORK AND WILLPOWER.
AS LONG AS YOU KEEP IT UP MISAWA, YOU'LL GET THERE.
BUT I GUESS MY STAMINA STILL NEEDS SOME WORK
Hee
I THINK IT'S JUST OLD I'LL CONTACT A HANDY MAN TOMORROW TO GET IT FIX
YEAH... SOMEONE COMPLAINED ABOUT IT TODAY...
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
IS IT BROKEN?

CAN I GO TO YOUR SIDE AND SHOWER WITH YOU?
YEAH?
CAPTAIN
..This is my chance--
.....
AAH..
SURE
.....
PROBABLY, THOUGH I HAVEN'T MEASURED MYSELF LATELY
CAPTAIN, DID YOU GET TALLER?
splash
splish
Fu..
IT'S A SMALL STALL
Ehhh?

.....
step
BUT I'M ONLY THIS TALL..
YOUR HEIGHT SUITS YOU JUST FINE
YOU'RE LUCKY I THINK I ALREADY STOP GROWING
EH?
CAPTAIN, YOU'RE REALLY BIG
EH...
NOT ONLY AM I SHORT EVEN THERE IS ONLY MEDIOCRE
FSSHH...
DRIP
DROP
DRIP
DOES MINE LOOK WEIRD?
THUD...
FU
YOU'LL EVENTUALLY GROW TALLER AND BIGGER
YOU'RE STILL GROWING

...DON'T WORRY.
.....
I THINK—
THERE'S SOME SORT OF PROCEDURE TO FIX IT, RIGHT?
...Y-YES, THANK YOU.
DON'T MENTION IT.
AS LONG AS YOU KEEP IT CLEAN, IT'S FINE. DON'T WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT THESE THINGS.
MY OLDER BROTHER WAS LIKE THAT TOO. IT USUALLY DOESN'T NEED ANY INTERVENTION.
AH... THAT...
RUB
RUB
RUB
RUB...
LET ME RUB IT FOR YOU.
IT'S REDDER THAN BEFORE. IS IT HURTING NOW?
EH...
EH?
...IS THAT WHERE YOU GOT HIT?
RUSH...
JOLT...

CREAK
ER
I'LL GO OUT FIRST...
is he suddenly touching me like this..?
Why
DON'T WORRY. IT DOESN'T LOOK WEIRD.
HOLD STILL SO I CAN HAVE A LOOK
CAPTAIN...
Y-YOU DON'T HAVE TO.
WHY ARE YOU SO SHY ALL OF A SUDDEN?
WEREN'T YOU BOLDLY SHOWING IT TO ME JUST A MINUTE AGO?
NO... PLEASE LET GO OF ME...

NOTHING LOOKS OUT OF THE ORDINARY
Splash...
I CAN'T SEE IT IF YOU KEEP COVERING YOURSELF
AH...
NO!
JUST LET ME GO!
THE FRONT PART WILL SHOW UP EVENTUALLY THE SHAPE LOOKS NORMAL
ANY MORE QUESTIONS?
I'LL CHECK YOUR SEMEN.
N... NO WAY
THEN, LET ME SEE YOU CUM

NO... LET GO...
STOP IT
IF WE DON'T RESOLVE THIS, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CONCENTRATE ON YOUR TRAINING
Thud

PLAN O.N.O. IS IN CODE BLUE...
INSTEAD OF ADVANCING, I WITHDREW!
BECAUSE IT WAS REALLY SCARY... HE WASN'T THE USUAL CAPTAIN...
OR MAYBE THAT'S HIS TRUE SELF?
doing all that.
YOU CHALLENGED HIM THEN BACKED OFF?
YOU DID WHAT?
.....
PROBABLY ANGRY.
BECAUSE YOU WERE TOO BOLD IN THE BEGINNING BUT THEN YOU LEFT HIM IN THE COLD
THIS MORNING... WHEN I GREETED HIM,
HE WAS VERY COLD.
CHEER UP!
TURN
.....
Gloom
DEEP-ROOTED ANGER...
YOU KNOW, THE TYPE THAT NEVER SHOWS HIS ANGER...
WHAT ANGER!?
WHAT TYPE?
HE'S THE TYPE WHO DOESN'T WEAR HIS EMOTION ON HIS SLEEVE.

RECHARGE YOUR CONFIDENCE
Ah Re-up again!
phoenix
.....
I HAVE TO BE BRAVER...
HOW ABOUT A DATE?
Grab...
Where is it
.....
Where?

--ARE YOU SURE?
THAT'S HOW IT'LL BE
DEFINITELY!
Don't date him!
And then Captain will come running after me.
LET'S GO ON A DATE! ♡
This guy
would tell Captain about the date.
IF THIS STILL DOESN'T WORK...
IF THIS DOESN'T WORK...
I'M JUST REALLY TIRED.
THEN I'LL GIVE UP...
You do realize that you're the one running after Captain, right?
Sob

I'M OFF!
GOOD WORK!
Track and Field Club
KLANK
I HEARD YOU'RE GOING OUT WITH KAGAMI TODAY
Um...
THANKS.

5:30 IN FRONT OF THE STATION!
YEAH
KLANK
.....
KAGAMI ASKED ME TO TELL YOU TO MEET HIM AT SIX.
Batan...

DAMMIT
CREAK...
BATAN
Track and
CAPT-
CAPTAIN ...
MMN...

WHEN KAGAMI TOLD ME, I WAS TOTALLY SHOCKED...
YOU... YOU'RE SUCH A BRAT!
CAP... TAIN...
LAST TIME... I WAS WORRIED HE'D MAKE A MOVE ON YOU
SO I WARNED HIM TO STAY AWAY FROM YOU.
...YOUR'?
TO SEE YOUR CORNERED EXPRESSION, OF COURSE
EH... YOU PICKED ME? ...BUT WHY?
And the target will be...
AH, I KNEW IT
SINCE YOU SUGGESTED HIM AS THE TARGET I ALREADY SUSPECTED THAT YOU LIKE HIM

THAT WAS YOUR PUNISHMENT!
Eh?
.....
FOR CHALLENGING ME WITH THOSE BRIGHT EYES DAY AFTER DAY, AND ALWAYS PROVOKING ME AND TESTING ME
I ALREADY TOLD YOU ABOUT MY RESPONSIBILITY AND REPUTATION AS THE CAPTAIN BUT YOU JUST IGNORED THEM ALL
AS THE CAPTAIN, I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO BE A ROLE MODEL FOR OTHERS THROUGH MY ABILITIES OR CONDUCT
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
AH...
S-SORRY
BUT... CAPTAIN DOES THAT MEAN...
SO WHAT HAPPENED IN THE SHOWER. WAS ALSO MY PUNISHMENT?

I knew he likes me!
HOWEVER
MY ENDURANCE HAS FINALLY REACHED ITS LIMIT SO YOU HAVE TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY GOT THAT?
YES!
EH...
THUD...
END

My Bodyguard

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CHAPTER 1

Lip Service

GOOD MORNING.
GOOD MORNING.
AND HAVE A GOOD DAY.
RUSTLE
KCHAK...
MASTER, YOSHIZAKI-SAN IS HERE TO SEE YOU.

Good morning, Katsuhiro-san.
TAP
TAP
TAP
TAP
TAP
LOOKS LIKE YOSHIZAKI-SAN IS NOW WORKING AS THE SECRETARY AND THE CHAUFFEUR.
I EVEN HEARD THAT LATELY YOSHIZAKI-SAN WAS HANDLING SOME PERSONAL AFFAIRS FOR THE MASTER.
IT SHOWS HOW THE MASTER TRUSTS HIM IMPLICITLY
MASTER IS NOT THE EASIEST PERSON TO DEAL WITH,
HE HAS ALREADY FIRED QUITE A NUMBER OF DRIVERS BECAUSE HE SAID THEY WERE ALL USELESS

HOWEVER, IT'S INTERESTING THAT HE HAS NEVER COMPLAINED ABOUT ALL THE ADDITIONAL DUTIES THAT HE HAS TO PERFORM!
HE MUST BE DOING IT FOR HIS FUTURE ADVANCEMENT?
TAP
Good morning,
TAP
Katsuhiro-san.
MORNING
GOOD MORNING, KATSUHIRO-SAN

EXCUSE ME.
SURPRISE.
EH.
YOUR TIE IS NOT STRAIGHT.
.....

Straightens
GOOD MORNING, PRESIDENT
YOSHIZAKI
HMM.
AH...
I'M VERY SORRY, BUT I HAVE A VERY URGENT MATTER TO ATTEND TO THAT COULD NOT BE RESCHEDULED...
KATSUHIRO, MAKE SURE TO GET OVER THERE AS SOON AS SCHOOL LET'S OUT.
AH, BEFORE I FORGET TONIGHT WE'LL BE CELEBRATING GRANDFATHER'S RECOVERY.

SHE ALREADY SAID IT'S AN URGENT MATTER SO YOU DON'T NEED TO FORCE HER. I CAN EASILY CALL FOR A CAB TO PICK ME UP AND TAKE ME THERE
I'm really sorry!
AH... YES, I'M REALLY SORRY...
Hmph
WHAT... WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO DO?
DOES IT REALLY HAVE TO BE TODAY?
YOU JUST DON'T TRUST ANYONE...
HOW WOULD I KNOW YOU'D GO THERE!
YES, SIR.
—WELL, THEN I'LL LEAVE EVERYTHING TO YOU.
WHAT DID YOU SAY!
HOW ABOUT IF I PICK HIM UP INSTEAD, SIR?

YOSHIZAKI!
WHATEVER
YES
I'LL PICK YOU UP AT FIVE IF THAT'S FINE WITH YOU?
I'M SORRY I KNOW YOU'RE ALREADY SO BUSY
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. IT'S ALRIGHT.
TODAY, WE'LL BE HEADING OVER TO SHINANO ON THE WAY.
YES, SIR.
SHUTTER

Bye
Wow! It's cool!
KATSUHIRO-SAN.
THIS CAR..
IT'S MINE I KNOW YOU DON'T LIKE THE PRESIDENT'S CAR BECAUSE IT'S TOO FLASHY
KLANK
I'LL SIT IN THE FRONT
GO AHEAD AND GET IN THE FRONT
UNLESS YOU WANT ME TO OPEN THE BACK DOOR FOR YOU?
KLANK

I HEARD YOU GOT RANK FIRST AGAIN ON YOUR LAST EXAM.
YOU'RE THE PRESIDENT'S MOST PRIZED SUCCESSOR ...
ARE YOU SERIOUS?
IT'S THE THIRD TIME THIS YEAR, AREN'T YOU SHOCKED?
I WAS CAUGHT STEALING AT A BOOKSTORE NOT TOO LONG AGO
BUT BEFORE THE POLICE AND THE SCHOOL COULD FIND OUT, MY FATHER ALREADY SETTLED IT
WHY?

WHY SHOULD I? I'M THE ONE WHO SETTLED ALL THREE INCIDENTS
PER THE PRESIDENT'S ORDERS, OF COURSE.
KLANK
KATSUHIRO-SAN!

*SIGN.
BOOKSTORE

WAIT, YOU...
AH, YES
HERE, PLEASE RING IT UP
YEAH, THIS IS THE ONE. REALLY APPRECIATE YOU FINDING IT FOR ME.
AH, YOU FOUND IT?

THERE'S STILL PLENTY OF TIME, I'LL LET YOU COOL DOWN YOUR HEAD FIRST BEFORE WE GET THERE
OR ELSE YOUR FATHER WILL WORRY
NO, HE WON'T
A
D

KATSUHIRO-SAN
HE ALWAYS SAID NOT TO BRING HIM ANY TROUBLE.
HE ONLY WORRIES ABOUT HOW IT WOULD LOOK BAD ON HIM
AREN'T YOU THE SAME!? YOU ONLY RESPECT HIM ON THE OUTSIDE!
YOU'RE JUST PUTTING UP WITH IT TO HELP WITH YOUR OWN FUTURE ADVANCEMENT!
YOU'RE RIGHT...

THERE ARE SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE WHO ARE WELL ADMIRED AND RESPECTED BY THEIR SUBORDINATES
BUT YOUR FATHER ISN'T ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE
HE'S THE TYPE OF PERSON THAT CANNOT WORK WELL WITH OTHERS. IF A CONFLICT OCCURS, HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SHOW HIS TRUE STRENGTH.
NOT ONLY IS HE IRASCIBLE, HE LACKS RATIONALE
BUT DESPITE ALL THAT, HE'S STILL SUCCESSFUL, WHICH MAKES EVERYONE RESPECT HIM NEVERTHELESS
EH—
ARE YOU HAPPY WITH THIS ANSWER?

IT'S A CHOICE THE INDIVIDUAL MAKES. YOU'LL UNDERSTAND WHEN YOU'RE OLDER
YOU ONLY MADE ONE SMALL MISTAKE, NOT EVERYONE IS AFTER MONEY OR POWER.
YOU'RE NOT UPSET WITH YOUR FATHER — BUT ME!
YOU...
DON'T TREAT ME LIKE A KID.
WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST SAY SO?
—I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
ADMIT IT!
BECAUSE YOU'RE INTERESTED IN ME

JOLT
NONSENSE
...

AREN'T YOU GONNA FIGHT ME?
MNN...
SIUP
LICK
YOU'RE NOT RESISTING...
DIDN'T YOU JUST SAY NOT TO TREAT YOU LIKE A KID?
HA!
WHAT ...
AH!
UNZIP
.....

JOLT
HA...
UMM
YOU'RE SO SENSITIVE
HA...
AH...
THOUGH YOU NEVER HAD SEX IN A CAR BEFORE...
IN THIS CRAMP SPACE, IT'S MORE INTIMATE.
HA...
JUST MOMENTS AGO, YOU WERE SITTING THERE LOOKING STOIC...
BUT NOW WITH YOUR FLY OPEN, YOU'RE REVEALING SUCH A SENSUAL FACE ...
--AH!
BLUSH

Ha...
Ah.
H...
Ha...

ARE YOU GOING BACK NOW?
AREN'T YOU TIRED OF PLASTERING A SMILE ON YOUR FACE?
.....
I STILL HAVE MATTERS TO ATTEND.
EVEN THOUGH YOU ACT COOL, I KNOW YOU'RE BUILDING A LOT OF STRESS INSIDE.

PLEASE DON'T WORRY OVER MY STRESS LEVEL.
TEASING THE PRESIDENT'S SON IN THE FOYER,
WHERE HE COMES TO MEET ME EVERY MORNING, RELIEVES ALL MY STRESS. THANK YOU!!!
GOOD MORNING, KATSUHIRO-SAN.
I'VE COME TO LOVE THAT SULLEN FACE OF YOURS.
END

My Bodyguard

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CHAPTER 2

THE LUCKY STAR
OF THE NIGHT

.....
WE'RE GOING OUT DRINKING TONIGHT. WANNA JOIN US?
AOYAMA-KUN. ♡
AH...
Y-yes!

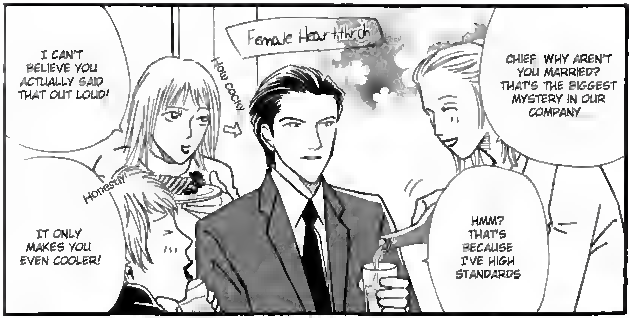
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THAT. HOWEVER, HE IS SHY IF YOU ASK ME
WHAT? HE TURNED YOU DOWN AGAIN?
AOYAMA-KUN PROBABLY HAS A GIRLFRIEND... FOR ALL WE KNOW—
flip flip
But he's sooo cute! Nevertheless...
Here we go.
determine
SURE
CHIEF, DO YOU HAVE A MOMENT?

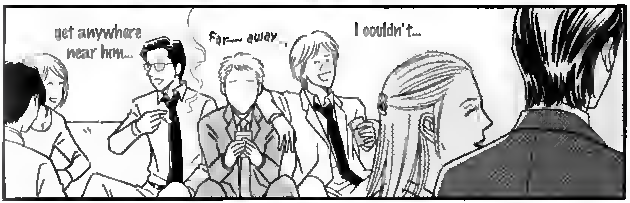
FLIP
GREAT! THIS WILL DO
NO, I CAN DO IT! PLEASE LEAVE IT TO ME!
—AHH, CAN YOU HANDLE THIS, TOO? IF YOU'RE BUSY, I CAN ASSIGN IT TO SOMEONE ELSE...
YES!
I did it!
A JOB WELL DONE! KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK

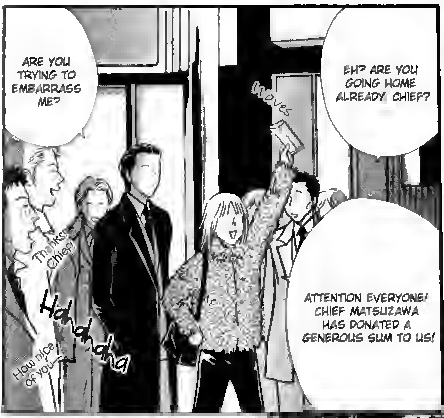
Yes!
I'm one step closer to you now!
NO PROBLEM.
THEN, IT'S YOURS
I want my stock to rise in his opinion!
.....
...I think?
...It should
Oi! AOYAMA!
Ouch!
BONK
So... So handsome!

WHAT ARE YOU APOLOGIZING TO ME FOR—
SO DO YOU ALREADY HAVE SOMEONE YOU LIKE?
YOU TURNED DOWN MIYUKI-CHAN AGAIN!
AH... SORRY
*OLDER SISTER
AH. YOU COULD SAY THAT
EH? SERIOUSLY?
WHAT ONEE-SAN...? INOUE-SAN YOU'RE THE SAME AGE AS ME.
SO? WHO IS IT? IS IT SOMEONE IN THE COMPANY? SINCE YOU RARELY GO OUT FOR FUN!
MMM. I GUESS...
WHO IS IT? YOU CAN TELL ONEE-SAN HERE ALL ABOUT IT!
EH! WHO IS IT? WHO? WHO? WHO?
Inoue-san!!
Shake
AREN'T YOU TWO COZY!
CHIEF!?
pat pat
No, we're not...
WE'RE THE SAME AGE— SO WE'RE INFORMAL!
SEEMS TO ME YOU'RE TOTALLY RIDING ON HIS HEAD

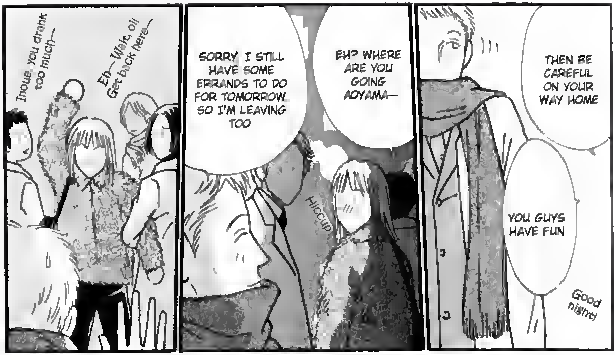
No, I'm telling you, we're not..
AH! CHIEF WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN IN, TOO? IT'LL GIVE YOU A CHANCE TO GET TO KNOW YOUR SUBORDINATES BETTER!
REALLY? THEN CAN I COME ALONG?
OF COURSE! WE WELCOME ALL SINGLE MEN!
Please don't be shy!
THEN IT'LL BE MY PLEASURE TO JOIN
Eh...
Awesome!
YOU'RE ALSO WELCOME TO SPONSOR US TOO!
SO THAT'S YOUR REAL MOTIVE
Hahahaha...
Eh~ Chief is going too?
Here, this is for my share for tonight
Thanks! Wow~ you're generous!
She really did it, that Inoue-san!
—However...

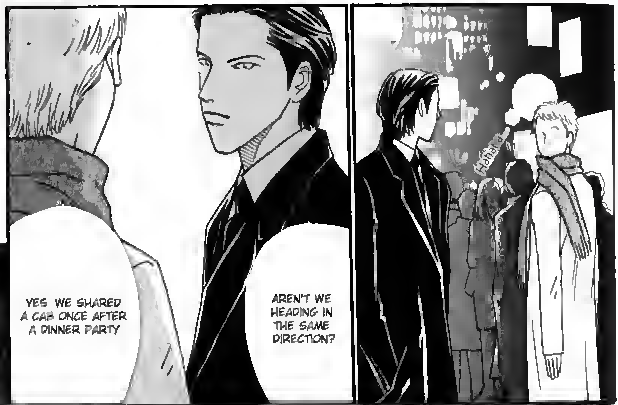

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU ACTUALLY SAID THAT OUT LOUD!
Female Hawthorn
How cocky
Honestly
IT ONLY MAKES YOU EVEN COOLER!
CHIEF, WHY AREN'T YOU MARRIED? THAT'S THE BIGGEST MYSTERY IN OUR COMPANY
HMM? THAT'S BECAUSE I'VE HIGH STANDARDS


get anywhere near him...
Far... away...
I couldn't...


ARE YOU TRYING TO EMBARRASS ME?
EH? ARE YOU GOING HOME ALREADY, CHIEF?
Thanks, Chief!
Hahaha
How nice of you!
ATTENTION EVERYONE! CHIEF MATSUZAWA HAS DONATED A GENEROUS SUM TO US!

ON TO OUR NEXT DESTINATION!
Karaoke
Yikes...


Then be careful on your way home
You guys have fun
Good night!
Eh? Where are you going Aoyama—
Sorry I still have some errands to do for tomorrow, so I'm leaving too
Hiccup
Eh— Wait, oi! Get back here—
Inoue you drank too much—


Yes we shared a cab once after a dinner party
Aren't we heading in the same direction?
Then, let's hail a cab.
OK.

I ALREADY SAID WE'RE NOT IN ANY KIND OF A RELATIONSHIP
FU
DO YOU REALLY HAVE THINGS TO DO TOMORROW?
YOUR GIRLFRIEND INOUE WANTED YOU TO STAY
ARE YOU SURE?
EH?
WELL— YOU SEE I CAN'T DO KARAOKE
Besides I've no reason to go if Chief won't be there.
EH?
THEN WOULD YOU MIND ACCOMPANYING ME FOR A LITTLE LONGER?
I DON'T ALWAYS LIKE TO BE TREATED AS THE BOSS
AND, I HAVEN'T DRUNK ENOUGH YET

The lucky star is shining on me tonight!
Wow! I can't believe my ears—
Fu!
AH...
SURE.
SURE.
HMM?
THEN... HOW ABOUT THIS?
YOU DECIDE...
WHAT SNACKS DO YOU LIKE—...
click

Welcome!
AH... DO YOU COME HERE OFTEN? IT LOOKS LIKE EVEN THE WAITER KNOWS YOU WELL
YEAH. THE OWNER IS A FRIEND OF MINE
OH, NOTHING
WHAT?
Bows
THIS IS
AH, MATSUZAWA-SAN
Ah, please enjoy
GOOD EVENING
?
Cough
YOUR "CONQUEST" TONIGHT?

—AHH
PLEASE HAVE A CARE OF WHAT YOU SAY
FINALLY YOU MADE YOUR PREFERENCE KNOWN!
JOSEN
THIS IS MY SUBORDINATE AT WORK!
MATSUZAWA-SAN YOUR TYPE IS SO SWEET!
? ?
REALLY
HUH?
NICE TO MEET YOU
NICE TO MEET YOU, TOO
.....
Phew
HERE BOTTOMS UP!
Cheers!
Clink
ER.

YES.
Clink
JUST THAT, CHIEF. YOU'RE DIFFERENT SOMEHOW...
OH... NOTHING!
REALLY?
WHAT?
WHAT WHAT MAKES YOU SAY THAT?
YOU ONLY HAVE TWO EXPRESSIONS, YOU'RE EITHER HAPPY OR SAD
AOYAMA... YOU'RE SO GUILELESS
OR I SHOULD SAY TRANSPARENT. YOUR INSIDE IS EXACTLY HOW YOU APPEAR ON THE OUTSIDE
THAT...
EH... AND WHAT'S THIS INNER AOYAMA THINKING NOW?
I've been
I-I have a dark side, too... An Inner Aoyama...
REALLY? I LIKE YOU SMILE EVEN WHEN YOU'RE TROUBLED?
I do have some variations!

HMM
IT'S A SECRET
with you
in love
IT WON'T WORK. I MIGHT NOT LOOK LIKE IT BUT I ACTUALLY HAVE A VERY HIGH TOLERANCE FOR ALCOHOL
WELL THEN DRINK SOME MORE! LET'S SEE IF YOU'LL BLURT IT OUT

The more I spend time with you, the more I want to stay by your side.

This is bad...

I don't feel like going home.

Taxi!!!...
Get back...
Oh no! I drank too much...
My stock is gonna crash...
Ah!
Ol...
Stagger...
I-It's alright.. really..
I think I'll wait it out until I'm a bit sober before I go back.
AOYAMA...
TAX!
Push
Please get on first..
PLEASE GO.
No, it's okay. It'll be too much trouble.
I'LL TAKE YOU HOME GET IN
Grab

I'm gonna spend the whole weekend moping on what a fool I made of myself
How am I gonna face him on Monday
I WAS THE ONE THAT ASKED YOU TO DRINK SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
I'M REALLY SORRY
I'M SORRY
BUMP
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
YES
YES
SIR, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
LOOK OUT, YOU STUPID DRUNKARD! STEPPING INTO THE STREET LIKE THAT

So handsome...
Ah I'm fine...
Chief!
HOW DO YOU FEEL?
I...
I love you so much...
that I can't help myself
I'm a goner!

Ah...
I... I have no... experience..
No I can't...
OH REALLY?
Nips
Nnn..
I'LL BE GENTLE
HMM?
This is a dream..
I must be sleeping..
A dream..
.....
Chief..

.....
AOYAMA?
Shak
WHA—
WHA—
WHA—
WHA—
WHA—...
WHAT?
I—
I—
I—
I—
I'm...
WHY?!!!!
YOU DON'T REMEMBER?

Chief's?
I TRIED TO WAKE YOU UP BUT COULDN'T. SO I DECIDED TO TAKE YOU BACK TO MY PLACE...
...Eh, that
we got into a cab and then...
Eh...
AND THEN WHEN I PASSED YOU THE GLASS, YOU HELD MY HANDS
Please give me a glass of water
AND SAID...
Stagger~
BUT WHEN WE GOT OUT, YOU WALKED TO ME
I LOVE YOU.

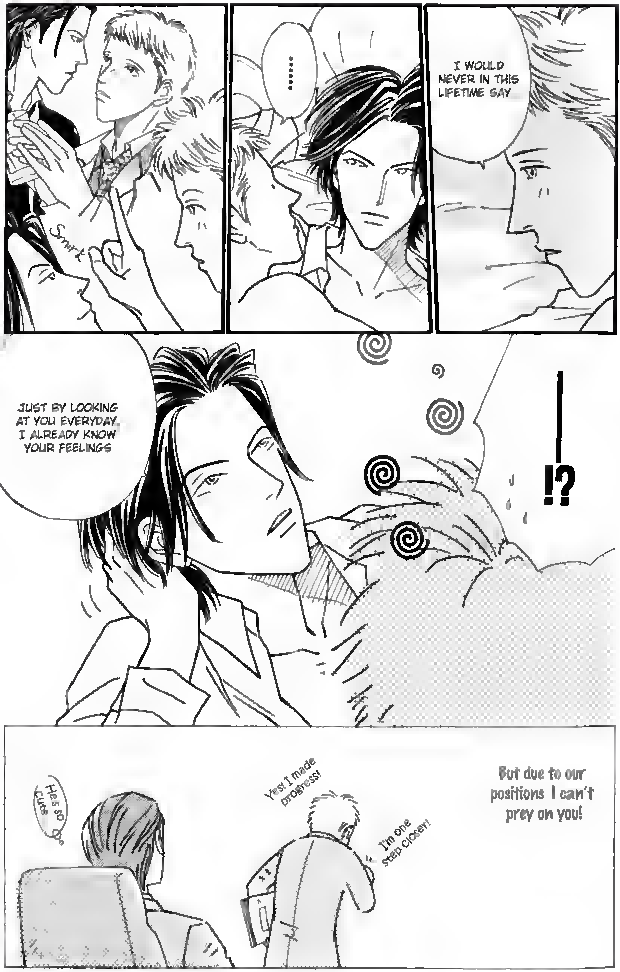
THEN... DOES THAT MEAN YOU DON'T REALLY HAVE FEELINGS FOR ME?
YOU REALLY DON'T REMEMBER?
Shake shake
IF SO, THEN WHAT I DID WAS SEXUAL HARASSMENT...
.....

Ah wait
CAN I?
rustle

...It's because...
IT'S FULL OF VIGOR AND I HAVEN'T EVEN TOUCHED IT YET
I SAW IT!
HMM?
I'm with you...
...I just can't help it...

LOOK AT ME...
BREATH OUT SLOWLY
Haa...
Haa..
Ah!
Haa..
Haa
Ha..
.....
Hah

Haa
Hah!
Ha!
Ha.
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
STILL DRUNK?
NO, I'M SOBER NOW...
YEAH...
Fu...
HOWEVER,
I WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ABLE TO CONFESS...
YOU DIDN'T...
GETTING DRUNK DID HAVE ITS ADVANTAGE OTHERWISE...


I WOULD NEVER IN THIS LIFETIME SAY
.....
Sniff
JUST BY LOOKING AT YOU EVERYDAY, I ALREADY KNOW YOUR FEELINGS
!?
But due to our positions I can't prey on you!
I'm one step closer!
Yes! I made progress!
He's so cute

STARTING MONDAY WE'VE TO MAKE SURE NO ONE FINDS OUT ABOUT US
I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO GIVE IT YOUR ALL AT WORK
You knew all along..?
That...everything you do.. dictates my happiness or sadness...
I CAN'T WAIT!
WOMEN'S INTUITIONS ARE REALLY SCARY...
Hahaha
WATCH OUT FOR THAT INGUE-SAN
END

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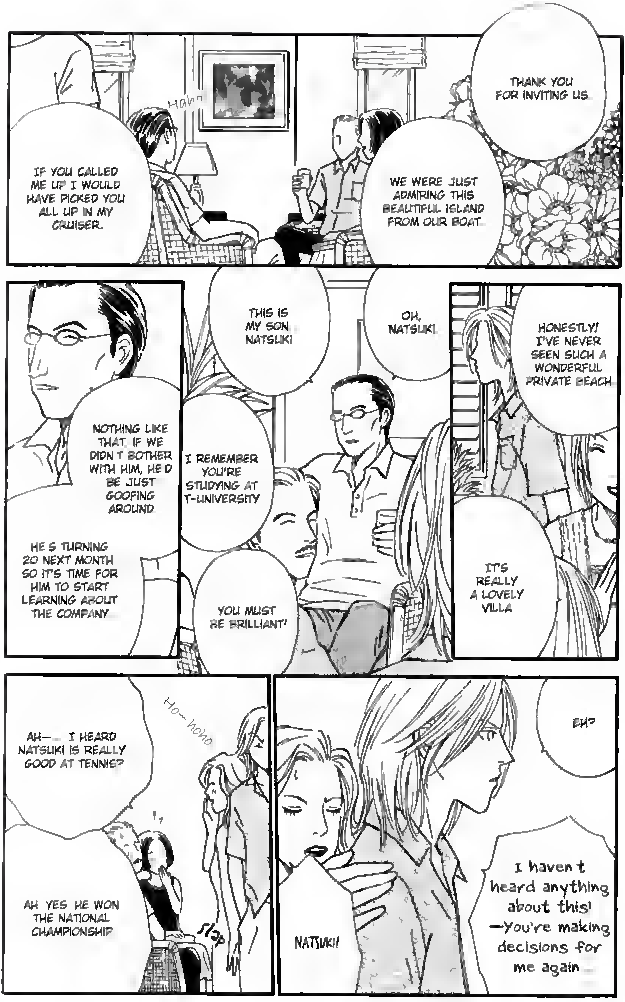
HOLIDAY

NATSUKI-SAMA.
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU... BUT THE PRESIDENT... I MEAN YOUR FATHER IS LOOKING FOR YOU.

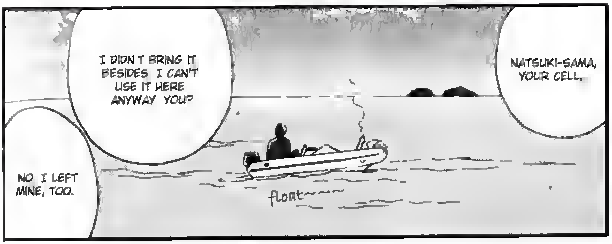
I ALREADY HAD PLANS TO HANG WITH MY FRIENDS THIS WEEK
INSTEAD I WAS DRAGGED TO THIS STUPID PARTY ON THIS ISLAND
HUH?
I'M NOT GOING
—I'M SWEATING JUST STANDING HERE
SO WHY THE HELL ARE YOU WEARING A SUIT? DIDN'T THE INVITE SAY CASUAL ATTIRE?
I'M HERE BECAUSE OF WORK.
ACTUALLY, I'M THE DRIVER
OH YEAH. YOU'RE THE PRESIDENT'S BODYGUARD


THANK YOU FOR INVITING US.
WE WERE JUST ADMIRING THIS BEAUTIFUL ISLAND FROM OUR BOAT.
HOHO
IF YOU CALLED ME UP I WOULD HAVE PICKED YOU ALL UP IN MY CRUISER.
HONESTLY! I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A WONDERFUL PRIVATE BEACH.
OH, NATSUKI.
THIS IS MY SON, NATSUKI.
IT'S REALLY A LOVELY VILLA.
I REMEMBER YOU'RE STUDYING AT T-UNIVERSITY.
NOTHING LIKE THAT. IF WE DIDN'T BOTHER WITH HIM, HE'D BE JUST GOOFING AROUND.
HE'S TURNING 20 NEXT MONTH SO IT'S TIME FOR HIM TO START LEARNING ABOUT THE COMPANY.
YOU MUST BE BRILLIANT!
EH?
I haven't heard anything about this! —You're making decisions for me again—
NATSUKI!
HO—HOHO
AH— I HEARD NATSUKI IS REALLY GOOD AT TENNIS?
AH YES HE WON THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

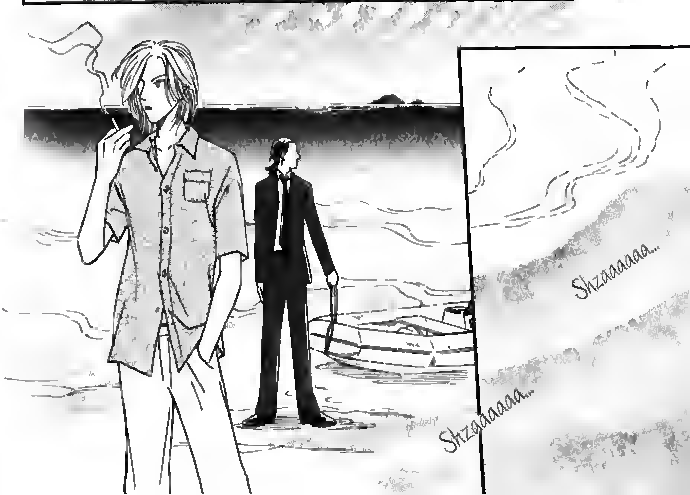
MY DAUGHTER PLAYS TENNIS TOO. ISN'T THERE A COURT HERE?
how
PLEASE GIVE HER SOME POINTERS. GO ALONG NOW, CHIKAKO
.....
EH?
Natsuki-sama, please go back, the president.
My father made me come here so he could introduce me to that guy's daughter!
You knew, didn't you?
Does that old man think he can just decide my career and my bride as he pleases?
Natsuki-sama, what are you doing? It's dangerous..
Splash
No, I've been ordered to protect you with my life.
shut up— this is none of your business!

.....
I'VE BEEN ASSIGNED TO WATCH OVER YOUR SAFETY AND TRANSPORT
WHEN YOUR FATHER DECIDED THAT YOU HAVE TO START LEARNING ABOUT THE COMPANY,
EH?
—Damn, even that's been decided!?
Natsuki-sama...
Rumble

PIOP
NO... I THINK IT STOPPED BECAUSE WE RUN OUT OF FUEL
WHAT? YOU CAN'T FIX IT?
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?


I DIDN'T BRING IT. BESIDES, I CAN'T USE IT HERE ANYWAY, YOU?
NATSUKI-SAMA, YOUR CELL.
NO. I LEFT MINE, TOO.
float~~~

IT'S TOO LATE TO ASK NOW.
I'M NOT SURE
WHERE IS THIS PLACE?
Aren't all the boats supposed to have oars? Why doesn't this have any?
Er……
splash splash splash


Shzaaaaaa...
Shzaaaaaa...

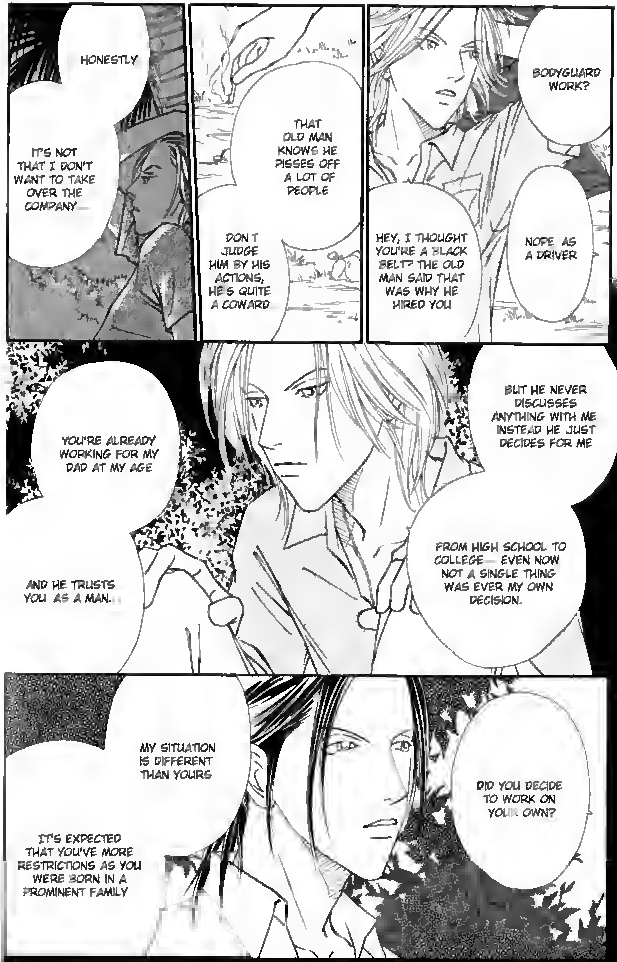
I'LL GO CHECK IT OUT
YOU THINK SO?
DO YOU THINK THERE'S SOMEONE HERE?
SO, WHERE DO YOU THINK WE ARE?
WE PROBABLY DIDN'T DRIFT TOO FAR OFF
I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THE SMALL ISLANDS IN THE AREA
Poke
WHAT'S THAT?
I THINK SOME FISHERMEN WERE HERE LESS THAN A YEAR AGO
I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYONE
THESE ARE LEFTOVER EMERGENCY FOOD AND SUPPLIES. ALSO THERE ARE SOME FISHING GEARS STORED IN HERE
Move
OI..
KISHIDA—

CAN YOU SEE THE ISLAND THE VILLA IS ON?
NO. NOT EVEN AN OUTLINE
THIS IS THE ONLY SHELTER AROUND. IT'S QUITE AN ISOLATED ISLAND
FROM HERE WE CAN ALREADY SEE THE WHOLE ISLAND
Just a small accident.
I DON'T THINK IT'S THAT DRAMATIC.
Click
—COOL!
WE'RE LIKE SURVIVORS OF A SHIPWRECK. DON'T YOU THINK SO?
WOOSH
THIS SHOULD HELP GET THE ATTENTION OF NEARBY BOATS.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
Shhhhh—

IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE THEN SWIM BACK ON YOUR OWN
I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK
YOU'RE NOT EATING?
THAT LOOKS DISGUSTING.
I'M NOT HUNGRY ANY-
Grrrr

I'M SORRY
I WANT TO DIE QUIETLY HERE...
COLL
Didn't you hear what I said?
I'm not going back!
REST ASSURED WE'LL BE SAVED BY TOMORROW
SPLASH
HUH?
DON'T YOU LIKE TO KEEP PLAYING TENNIS?
TENNIS IS NOTHING I JUST WON THE COMPETITION FOR BRATS
I DO KNOW THE WORLD IS A LOT TOUGHER THAN THAT
AAH
YOU'RE WORRIED I'VE COMPLETELY GIVEN UP ON MY LIFE?

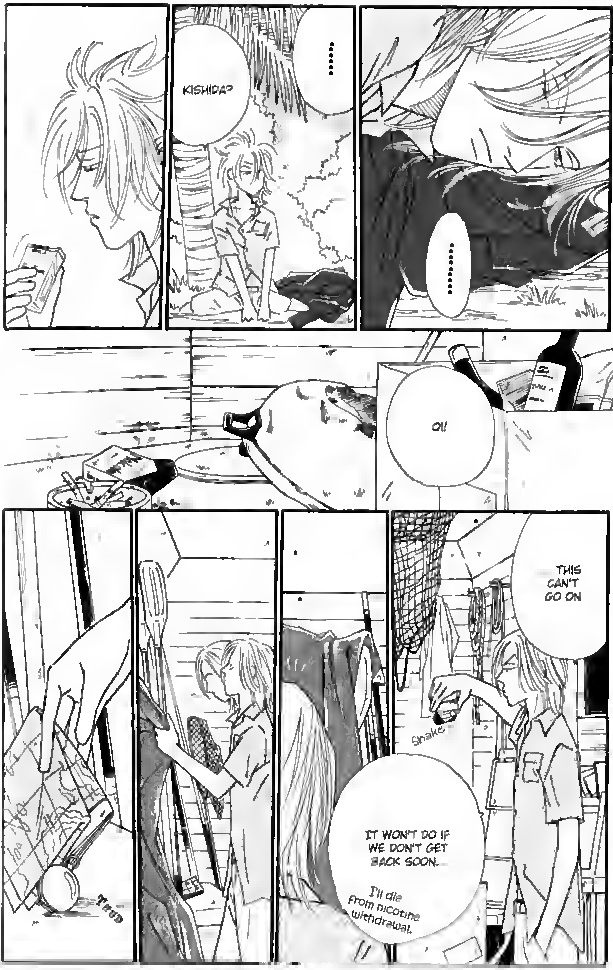
HUH?
LONG AGO, AT MY HOUSE
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN PLAYING RECENTLY EITHER, HAVE YOU?
.....
YOU USED TO COME OVER AND PLAY WITH ME BUT YOU DON'T ANYMORE
FORGIVE ME IT'S BECAUSE I'VE BEEN BUSY WITH WORK...


HONESTLY
IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T WANT TO TAKE OVER THE COMPANY...
THAT OLD MAN KNOWS HE PISSES OFF A LOT OF PEOPLE
DON'T JUDGE HIM BY HIS ACTIONS, HE'S QUITE A COWARD
BODYGUARD WORK?
HEY, I THOUGHT YOU'RE A BLACK BELT? THE OLD MAN SAID THAT WAS WHY HE HIRED YOU
NOPE AS A DRIVER
YOU'RE ALREADY WORKING FOR MY DAD AT MY AGE
AND HE TRUSTS YOU AS A MAN...
BUT HE NEVER DISCUSSES ANYTHING WITH ME INSTEAD HE JUST DECIDES FOR ME
FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO COLLEGE — EVEN NOW NOT A SINGLE THING WAS EVER MY OWN DECISION.
MY SITUATION IS DIFFERENT THAN YOURS
IT'S EXPECTED THAT YOU'VE MORE RESTRICTIONS AS YOU WERE BORN IN A PROMINENT FAMILY
DID YOU DECIDE TO WORK ON YOUR OWN?

DURING THE COMPETITIONS, YOU LOOKED VERY HAPPY...
NO... I THINK IT'D BE A PITY IF YOU GAVE UP ON TENNIS
IT'LL BE GREAT IF THAT COULD REALLY HAPPEN
EH?
TROUBLE-SOME YOU MEAN!
I'D RATHER BE A PRO TENNIS PLAYER WHO TRAVELS AROUND THE WORLD
YOU CAN COME ALONG AND CARRY MY STUFF
YOU'VE SEEN ME COMPETE?
SEVERAL TIMES
WHY? BECAUSE MY OLD MAN ORDERED YOU TO..
NO, ON MY DAYS OFF
WHY?
BECAUSE I WANTED TO WATCH.

I WOULDN'T DARE
HOW COME YOU NEVER CAME OVER AND TALK TO ME?
.....
YOU WERE ALWAYS SURROUNDED BY FRIENDS AND I'M A MERE SERVANT
I WASN'T IN ANY POSITION TO GREET YOU THERE
IT GETS COLDER THAN I THOUGHT I NEED TO MAKE THE FIRE BIGGER
I'LL GO GATHER SOME MORE WOOD
YOU DON'T HAVE TO...

YESSIR
YOU CAN JUST COME OVER HERE AND WARM ME UP SERVANT
Lean...


KISHIDA?
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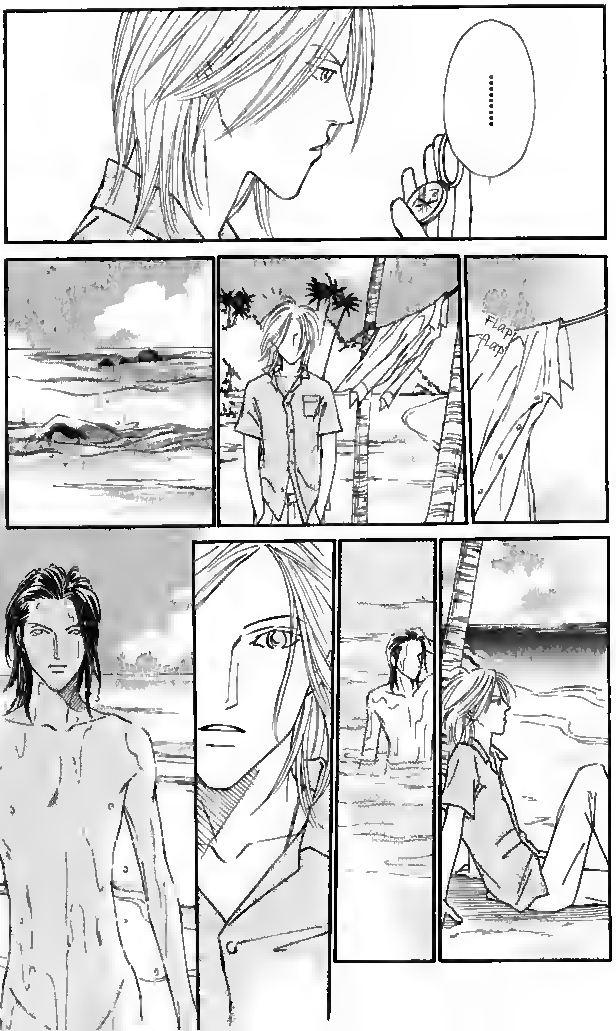
.....
Oi!
THIS CAN'T GO ON
Shake
IT WON'T DO IF WE DON'T GET BACK SOON...
I'll die from nicotine withdrawal.
Tap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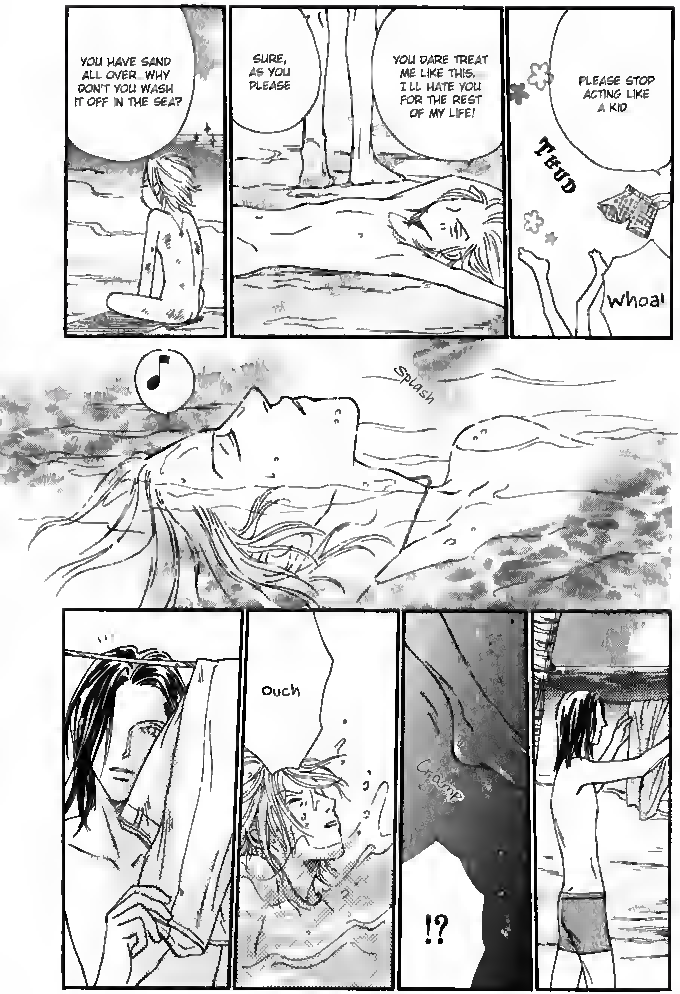
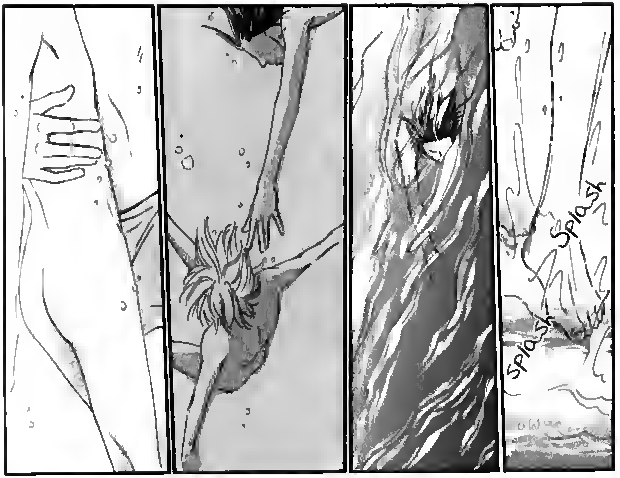
Flap
Flap

I'LL WASH IT FOR YOU
HUH?
GIVE ME YOUR CLOTHES
IT'S ALRIGHT
I'M KEEPING THIS!
THAT WON'T DO
Peel
SHUDDUP—
IT'LL BE DRY SOON
Yo
NK
Idiot.. What are you doing!
PLEASE DON'T MIND ME
YOU'RE HERE!
NO ONE'S HERE
HOW CAN I BE NAKED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT! UNLIKE YOU, I HAVE DIGNITY!
WELL I DO!


YOU HAVE SAND ALL OVER. WHY DON'T YOU WASH IT OFF IN THE SEA?
SURE, AS YOU PLEASE
YOU DARE TREAT ME LIKE THIS. I'LL HATE YOU FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!
PLEASE STOP ACTING LIKE A KID
TEUD
Whoa!
Splash
Ouch
Grump
!?


Splash
Splash

Natsuki-sama...
Press
Press
Natsuki-sama...
Slap
Slap

Grab
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
!!!

NO, THAT WAS CPR...
YOU KISSED ME.
PLEASE DON'T SCARE ME LIKE THAT! YOU ALMOST DROWNED
I CAN'T BREATHE
DO IT SOME MORE!
MMM...

Kishida..
You...
Ah
You're
Joking, right?
Whoa..
Ah!
Suck
Suck
Suck
Hah.
Baka..
I'm
cumming
Ah..

KISHIDA—
YES?
IF WE HAVE A MAP, A COMPASS AND AN OAR, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO LEAVE THIS ISLAND, RIGHT?
YEAH, WE COULD
THEY'RE WITH THE EMERGENCY KIT
DIDN'T YOU NOTICE?
.....

OF COURSE I'VE NEVER LIFTED ANYTHING HEAVIER THAN A PAIR OF CHOPSTICKS
AM I SUPPOSED TO ROW?
WHAT IS IT?
CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING?
TO BE HONEST, I HAVE A FEW MORE DAYS OFF I HAVEN'T USED
I'D LIKE TO RELAX HERE FOR A FEW MORE DAYS.
IF YOU WANT TO SPEND MORE TIME ALONE WITH ME THEN JUST SAY SO.

YOU'VE MISUNDERSTOOD
YEAH— RIGHT
OH YEAH, YOU SAID THAT YOU'RE NOW RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING CARE OF ME.
IS THAT TRUE?
YES
Nnnnn
Nnnnn
Nnnnn
THEN IT'S ABOUT TIME FOR US TO HEAD BACK!
BESIDES I RAN OUT OF CIGARETTES ANYWAY
OKAY
END

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MY BODYGUARD

Thank you so much!
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...
WHAT? YOU WANNA DIE? ASSHOLE!
IT'S NOT MY FAULT, YOU WERE SQUATTING YOUR ASS ON MY WAY.
WHAT?
OI.
BUMP
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "WHAT?" YOU KICKED ME!
OUCH!
KICK

I'M VERY SORRY BUT I'LL TAKE HIS PLACE TO APOLOGIZE.
BAM
THIS PRICK...
DON'T TOUCH ME WITH YOUR FILTHY HANDS; YOU'LL CONTAMINATE ME WITH YOUR IDIOCY.
YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING ME, WHO ARE YOU...
WHAT?
HE'S JUST IN A HURRY, WOULD YOU MIND LETTING HIM GO?
Ouch!
Smack
crack
THIS GUY...
FOR-GIVE ME.
OUUUUUCH...

I'M SORRY BUT I NEED TO OR ELSE WE MIGHT NOT MAKE IT ON TIME FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH THE PRESIDENT.
HEY, YOU'RE DRIVING TOO FAST!
LEAN
WHY DON'T YOU JUST TELL HIM IT'S MY FAULT?

I CAN NEVER SAY THAT.
BUT THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE THINKING— IT'S ALL BECAUSE I WANTED TO STOP BY AT THE CONVENIENCE STORE.
NO, I'M THINK-ING...
THINK-ING WHAT?
Lick lick lick
WHAT POSSESSED YOU WANTING TO EAT THAT?
Li.
IT'S TASTY!
scoop
HERE!
NO, I...
TRY IT.
.....
Lick
SWEET, ISN'T IT?
YES.
LIGHT'S GREEN!
YES

SORRY FOR MAKING YOU WAIT, NATSUKI-SAMA.
I'M THE PRESIDENT'S SECRETARY, SATOSAKI.
ARE YOU NEW HERE?
YES, I'VE JUST BEEN APPOINTED A MONTH AGO. IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU.
He's here —
He's here!
WHO'S THAT GUY? EVEN SATOSAKI, THE SNOB IS WAGGING HER TAIL AT HIM!
EH! THAT KID IS SO HANDSOME, NOT LIKE THE PRESIDENT AT ALL!
Yak
Yak
Yak
THAT'S THE PRESIDENT'S HEIR.
NOT ONLY IS HE THE ONLY SON BUT ALSO A STUDENT AT T-UNIVERSITY. HE'S HERE TODAY TO LEARN ABOUT THE BUSINESS
PROBABLY TAKES AFTER HIS MOTHER.
Maybe?
NE— IS THAT THE YOUNG MASTER'S ATTENDANT?
HMM? HE'S THE PRESIDENT'S DRIVER AND BODYGUARD
SO HANDSOME! I WANT A BODYGUARD JUST LIKE HIM, TOO!♡
WHAT ARE YOU AIMING? MONEY IS POWER!
BUT YOUNG MASTER IS WAY OUT OF MY LEAGUE.
I'm below mediocre

President Office
AH!
Flutter
PLEASE WAIT A FEW MINUTES.
NATSUKI-SAMA IS HERE TO SEE YOU, SIR... YESSIR.
I'M SORRY AND THANK YOU.
NOT AT ALL.
YOU'RE NOT THE PRESIDENT'S BODYGUARD ANYMORE?
NO, I'VE BEEN REASSIGNED.
OH... WHAT A DISAPPOINTMENT!
IT MUST BE HARD GETTING USED TO YOUR NEW JOB
PARDON ME,
BUT KISHIDA HAD BEEN WORKING AT MY HOUSE PRIOR TO BECOMING MY FATHER'S BODYGUARD.
OH, IS THAT SO?
HE'S THE DRIVER DOUBLING AS A HOUSEKEEPER, AND EVEN GOT DRAGGED AROUND BY MY SHOWY MOTHER.
OF COURSE, WE SEE EACH OTHER REGULARLY.

AH... YES.
PLEASE EXCUSE ME...
chuckle
YOU NEED NOT WORRY ABOUT HIM GETTING USED TO ME!
I'VE KNOWN HIM A LOT LONGER THAN YOU HAVE.
I SEE, THEN...
HER ALONE?
SOME-TIMES
I CHAUF-FEURED HER AROUND ON PRESIDENT'S ERRANDS.
AREN'T YOU COZY WITH HER!
THESE ARE THE TALENTS FROM DIFFERENT DIVISIONS TO TUTOR YOU.
LIAR.
DID SHE MAKE A PASS?
NO.

NICE TO MEET YOU.
NATSUKI... YOU'RE 10 YEARS TOO YOUNG TO PLAY AROUND WITH WOMEN
YOU DON'T HAVE ANYONE YOU'RE SERIOUS WITH ANYWAY
...ARE YOU SERIOUS? WHEN DO I GO ON DATES?
EH...NO.. THAT...
THIS IS YOUR STUDY SCHEDULE
ANYWAY, IF YOU PUT YOUR MIND TO IT,
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO RUN THIS COMPANY IN NO TIME
WE CAN'T DISAPPOINT THE GIRLS, CAN WE?
EXACTLY.
HE DARE SAY 'EXACTLY'
DON'T BE SO HARSH, PRESIDENT! AFTER ALL, NATSUKI-SAN IS SUCH A FINE-LOOKING YOUNG MAN!
AS IF...
JUST LIKE ME!
HAHA!

THEY JUST WON'T GO AWAY!
ALRIGHT, TELL THEM I'LL BE THERE.
THEY'RE ONLY SOME SMALL FRIES. WHY MUST WE PUT UP WITH THEM?
So troublesome
YES, SIR.
THEN I'LL LEAVE HIM IN YOUR HANDS.
Beep
President, you've guests in the tenth floor conference room.
IF YOU DO YOUR JOB RIGHT...
THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH KISHIDA.
OKAY, I'LL BE ON MY WAY TO MY MEETING.
YESSIR.
FORGIVE ME, SIR.
KISHIDA, WHY DO YOU THINK I LEAVE YOU IN CHARGE?
BUT I'M NOT YET AN EMPLOYEE.
—OH YEAH, NATSUKI, DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO WEAR A SUIT?
.....

Ha
TAP
TAP
HEY, HOW'S THE TUTORING SESSION GOING?
URGH— BECAUSE OF THAT SPOILED YOUNG MASTER, ALL MY WORK HAS BEEN PUSHED BACK. REALLY ANNOYING!
AH, BUT HE GOES TO T-UNIVERSITY.
APPARENTLY... MONEY CAN DO ANYTHING!
Natsuki Saiwa
REALLY? IS HE STUPID?
WELL, CAN'T SAY ON THE FIRST DAY. THOUGH HE'S ARROGANT LIKE THE PRESIDENT. I GUESS A SHARK'S SON IS STILL A SHARK
Pppt
SHARK?

TN A type of fish usually found attached to sharks.

WHAT IS IT?
IT'S YOUR MOTHER, SHE WANTS ME TO PICK HER UP FROM HER DINNER PARTY.
Sigh
EXCUSE ME.
Beep!
YES... YES, I UNDERSTAND
Ring ring
.....
GIVE ME THE PHONE.
YEAH? IT'S ME. KISHIDA ONLY ANSWERS TO ME NOW.
DON'T ASK HIM FOR ANY FAVORS.
WHERE'S KINOSHITA? DAY OFF? THEN YOU SHOULD KNOW! WHO GIVES A RAT'S ASS WHAT YOU WANT, JUST GET YOURSELF A CAB!
...HMPH!
—YEAH, WE JUST GOT HERE AND I STILL HAVE THINGS FOR HIM TO DO.
EH? I'M...AT HOME
Stop being so damn stuboorn!
TOSS
Kishida's
Beep!

UNDRESS ME!
.....
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU HAD THINGS FOR ME TO DO?
WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT...?
RUSTLE...
.....
HOW DID THAT SECRETARY SEDUCE YOU?
THAT KIND OF GIRL WON'T BE SERIOUS WITH A DRIVER.

WHY ARE YOU SO ANGRY?
...WHAT?
.....
TOO BAD~ —TSK, WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS?
I'M TRULY GIFTED WITH BOTH INTELLIGENCE AND BEAUTY, THAT'S WHY PEOPLE THINK I'M A SNOB.
Klank
THANK YOU. .
I WON'T ALLOW ANYONE TO BERATE WHAT'S MINE.
YES.
...I'M YOUR MASTER NOW.
YES.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE FORMAL WHEN NO ONE'S AROUND.
NATSUKI-SAMA. .
PULL

Slide
TODAY WAS AS FRUSTRATING AS I EXPECTED.
. .COMFORTING ME IS ALSO PART OF YOUR JOB.
YES
Ha...
Uh...
Ha...
Suck.

AHHH... THEN I DON'T HAVE TO GO TO WORK TOMORROW.
NATSUKI-SAMA...
I KNOW! I'M GETTING UP..
GOOD NIGHT.
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU NEED?
.....
PLEASE GET UP AND PUT ON SOMETHING BEFORE YOU CATCH A COLD.

THIS GAME OF YOURS IS REALLY DANGEROUS.
WHAT?
WHAT IF YOU PICK ON SOMEONE I CAN'T DEFEAT...?
I PURPOSELY CHOSE THE WEAK ONES...
YOU DON'T OFTEN GET TO FLEX YOUR MUSCLES. IT'S A GOOD EXERCISE FOR YOU.
NATSUKI-SAMA...
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERN
DON'T YOU FEEL REFRESHED NOW?
NOT PARTICULARLY...

K-chak
HOW IS IT GOING?
AH, PRESIDENT, WE'RE ALMOST DONE FOR TODAY.
EH? TODAY?
GOOD! NATSUKI,
THERE'LL BE A LOT OF BIG NAMES IN POLITICS AND BUSINESS, A GOOD DEBUT FOR YOU!
CONGRESSMAN SUZUKI IS HAVING A PARTY. I'M TAKING YOU SO HURRY HOME AND CHANGE.
YESSIR
KISHIDA, YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF BRINGING HIM OVER
Turns
FATHER!
I SAID I'LL ATTEND NEXT TIME
I ALSO HAD CLASSES TODAY SO I'M TIRED...
I'LL PASS. I'M BUSY RIGHT NOW. MAYBE, NEXT TIME
THIS IS A GREAT CHANCE FOR YOU TO BUILD CONNECTIONS, WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR OUR BUSINESS

Now, Hwan, let's go. Where's the car?
Yes president.
OH? YOU'RE NOW LEARNING TO TAKE THE REINS OF THE COMPANY?
YES, I WISH TO HELP MY FATHER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
Pu
Hahaha!
I NEVER KNEW YOU HAD SUCH A FINE SON!
SO GOOD LOOKING, TOO. I'M SURE HE'LL BE A GREAT POLITICIAN IN THE FUTURE.
OH NO, HE'LL BE TOO BUSY TAKING OVER MY COMPANY.
Haha

Ah, Yours Masters Welcome!
Special smile for Madame
IF I SET MY MIND TO IT, I CAN DO IT.
PLEASED
SO, HOW AM I DOING?
YOU'RE DOING GREAT. THE PRESIDENT LOOKS VERY PROUD.
I'LL GO GET YOU A ROOM.
I NEED TO REST FOR A BIT..
I'M JUST BORED WITH ALL THESE SOCIAL CHITCHATS
ARE YOU ALRIGHT? YOU LOOK PALE...
THIS IS HOW MY FACE LOOKS LIKE WHEN IT'S STUCK. .
EXCESSIVE USE OF THE FACIAL MUSCLES THAT I NEVER KNOW EXIST...

IT'S EXHAUSTING TO ADJUST TO A NEW ENVIRONMENT.
I WISH I COULD TELL THEM ONLY THE FATHER SHARK DOESN'T FEEL PRESSURE!
Ahh
slump
I'LL HELP LOOSEN YOUR TIE.
...SINCE I WAS LITTLE, I ALREADY KNEW I WOULD TAKE OVER THE COMPANY ONE DAY.
HOW DEMANDING IT IS...
HOWEVER, I NEVER EXPECT WHEN I'M ACTUALLY DOING IT...
KISHIDA, YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF BRINGING HIM OVER.
EH...
I DID THIS FOR YOUR SAKE.
I THINK IT WOULDN'T BE SO BAD IF YOU HAD GOTTEN YOURSELF MENTALLY PREPARED BEFORE THIS PARTY.

TSK, I'LL BE EVEN MORE FURIOUS IF MY OLD MAN SCOLDS AT WHAT'S MINE
...YOU REALLY DON'T HAVE TO
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN VERY PROUD OF YOU...
DON'T YOU THINK .. YOU'RE A LITTLE TOO HARSH WITH THE PRESI-DENT...?
Mmm

bump
Ah...
Haa...
Ah...
Wa wait...
Ha...
Ha...ah...

...Kyshada...
WAIT...
Haa...
rustle
Haa...
Haa...
WHAT ABOUT YOU? IS IT ALRIGHT, YOU NEVER FINISH...
Haa...
YES.
.....
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "YES"...?
YOU WANT TO DO IT RIGHT? THEN DO IT...

THIS SHOULDN'T BE TAKEN LIGHTLY.
I DON'T WANT YOU TO REGRET IT LATER.
HOWEVER, YOU'RE A BIT UPSET NOW.
YOU'RE NOT YOURSELF.
I'LL DO ANYTHING YOU WISH FOR.
I WISH...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT...
I'M GAY, BUT YOU'RE NOT.
.....
IT'S ALRIGHT ...
I CAN'T DO IT, BECAUSE YOU'RE TOO IMPORTANT TO ME.

BUMP
SHUT UP! I TOLD YOU I'M GOING BACK ALONE!
PLEASE GET IN THE CAR!
stomp
stomp
Vroom
NATSUKI-SAMA!
OUCH...
OUT OF MY WAY!

KICK
SFX WHACK
KISHIDA!

IT'S ALRIGHT, ARE YOU HURT?
I'M FINE...
Handkerchief
DRIP
DRIP
I'M REALLY SORRY.
IDIOT, DON'T MOVE!
THAT'S GOOD
IT'S NOT GOOD AT ALL! YOU IDIOT!
I THINK I MIGHT HAVE FRACTURED IT... I'M SORRY.
EEEEH!?
AHH...
A PIPE... HOW'S THE ARM?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "AHHH"?
Y-yes!
Call an ambulance!
PLEASE CALM DOWN
I WAS JUST SCRAPED BY A PIPE, NOTHING SERIOUS.

I'M SORRY
IDIOT...
THIS IS MY JOB.
IT'S MY OWN FAULT FOR NOT BEING ALERT ENOUGH.

I GOT A GUEST ROOM READY FOR YOU.
HUH?
NATSUKI-SAMA, MY HOUSE IS THAT WAY.
THAT WON'T DO AT ALL...
PLEASE LET ME OFF.
IT WAS BECAUSE OF ME THAT YOU'RE INJURED, SO I'M TAKING CARE OF YOU.
YOU SHOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL.
I WON'T BE GOING TO SCHOOL OR WORK. I'LL BE BY YOUR SIDE TAKING CARE OF YOU.
UNTIL YOU CAN RESUME YOUR DUTIES,

...WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND?
YOU CAN DO ME! UNTIL YOU CAN NO LONGER HOLD YOURSELF IN CHECK,
I'LL STICK TO YOU LIKE GLUE FOR THE REST OF OUR LIFE!
NATSUKI-SAMA...
WHAT?
PLEASE HAVE SOME MERCY!
I'M SHOWING YOU MERCY! BUT YOU'RE TOO DAMN STUBBORN!
END

Partner

So that's him.
The president's only son, the heir of our company.
Ah, look! The young master has returned!
It's okay.
Once you've understood that, it's quite interesting, isn't it?
He's actually chatting with the managing director.
STOCKS AND INVESTMENTS
WHAT HAVE YOU LEARNED SO FAR?
AAH, IT'S GOOD TO HAVE YOU BACK.
DIRECTOR...
WELL, GOOD WORK! AND PLEASE MIND YOUR HEALTH.
SAME TO YOU.

WE'RE ALMOST HOME...
I'M STAAAARVING!
NATSUKI-SAMA...
I'M STARVING! STARVING!
SOME BUT NOTHING FANCY.
REALLY? SO YOU CAN ACTUALLY COOK!?
I EAT AT HOME.
BY THE WAY, WHERE DO YOU USUALLY EAT DINNER?
IS THAT RIGHT? WELL, WHAT ARE YOU HAVING TONIGHT?
bitch
YOU'RE ALREADY 20 AND YET YOU STILL ACT LIKE A CHILD. DO YOU THINK THAT'S APPROPRIATE?
WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO KNOW THAT?
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TELL ME, ARE YOU?
VROOM...
WE'RE HERE. ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR EVENING.
...

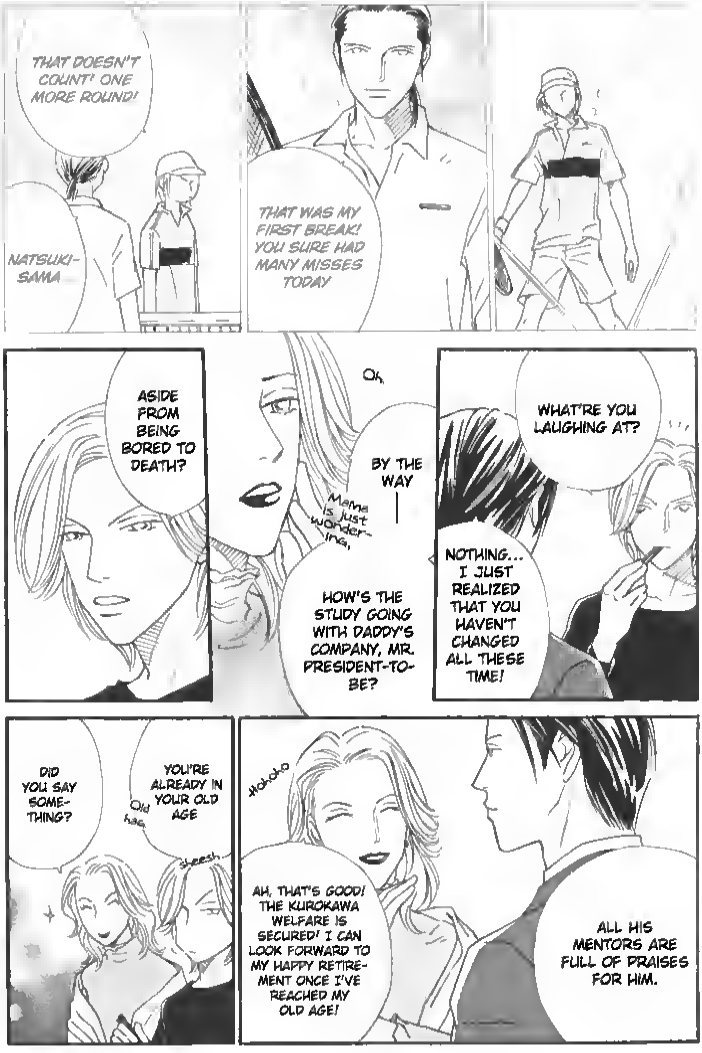
MAKE SURE TO PUT THOSE IN THE CAR.
I HAVE STUDY GROUP AT THE COMPANY RIGHT AFTER MY CLASSES TOMORROW.
ALRIGHT, I'LL LEAVE THAT TO YOU.
THEN, I'LL TAKE CARE OF THESE FOR YOU.
ALSO, THE SHELVES IN THE STUDY SHOULD BE REORGANIZED.
AH, AND THOSE OVER THERE!
Thud
YES.
YES.
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE?
...KISS ME
DO IT LIKE YOU MEAN IT!
Chu

Mmm...
unzip
NATSUKI-SAMA..
pull
HURRY...
...WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO DO IT WITH MY MOUTH?
...Hah.
Kishida
Nnn...
Mmm...

NATSUKI-SAMA ...PLEASE LET ME COMPLETE THE REST OF MY DUTIES.
HUG, TIGHTLY
YOU'RE NOT DONE YET..
AS I'VE MENTIONED BEFORE, I'M GAY BUT YOU'RE NOT...
...MADE ME... WHAT?
I'VE MADE YOU...
WHAT ARE YOU SORRY ABOUT..?
I'M SORRY ...
YOU CAN'T DECIDE THAT FOR ME...

NE, YOU'RE STAYING FOR DINNER, KISHIDA!
BE RIGHT THERE.
NATSUKI-SAMA, DINNER IS READY.
knock knock
AH, THANK YOU, NATSUKI-SAMA.
BUT I...
SHUT UP, NO MEANS NO!
blah!
I HAVEN'T FINISHED MY SENTENCE.
NO!

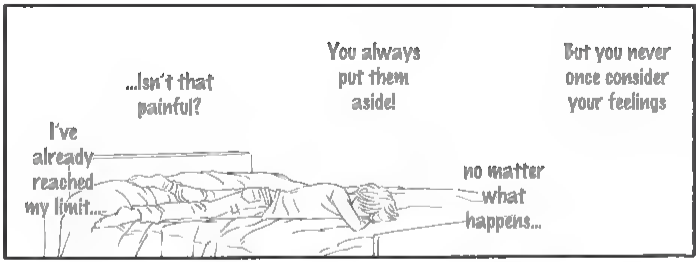
SORRY TO INTRUDE.
Bows.
LET ME GUESS, NATSUKI IS BEING STUBBORN AGAIN?
AH, PLEASE NO NEED TO BE SO FORMAL, KISHIDA, JUST HAVE A SEAT.
AH.
Clatter
YES, MA'AM.
NATSUKI WAS ONLY IN MIDDLE SCHOOL BACK THEN.
Fu fu!
HOW NOSTALGIC!
Clatter
Clatter
Clink
SINCE I WAS AWAY SO MUCH AND HIS FATHER BEING SO BUSY, THIS LONELY CHILD QUICKLY LATCHED ON TO YOU
WHEN YOU FIRST STARTED AS A DRIVER, YOU OFTEN STAYED OVER FOR MEALS
HE COULD BE A REAL PAIN; DOESN'T KNOW HIS LIMITS, A CARBON COPY OF ME!
Oi! I'm here, you know! A bother?
SO IN THE END WE LEFT EVERY-THING IN YOUR HANDS,
FROM CLEANING THE COURTYARD TO PLAYING TENNIS WITH HIM. MUST BE A BOTHER FOR YOU.
Oi...
Chomp


THAT DOESN'T COUNT! ONE MORE ROUND!
NATSUKI-SAMA...
THAT WAS MY FIRST BREAK! YOU SURE HAD MANY MISSES TODAY
ASIDE FROM BEING BORED TO DEATH?
Oh,
BY THE WAY
Mama is just wonder-ing,
HOW'S THE STUDY GOING WITH DADDY'S COMPANY, MR. PRESIDENT-TO-BE?
WHAT'RE YOU LAUGHING AT?
NOTHING... I JUST REALIZED THAT YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED ALL THESE TIME!
DID YOU SAY SOME-THING?
YOU'RE ALREADY IN YOUR OLD AGE
Old hag...
Yukiko
AH, THAT'S GOOD! THE KUROKAWA WELFARE IS SECURED! I CAN LOOK FORWARD TO MY HAPPY RETIRE-MENT ONCE I'VE REACHED MY OLD AGE!
ALL HIS MENTORS ARE FULL OF PRAISES FOR HIM.

YES, MA'AM ...
HIS FATHER AND I CAN REST ASSURED IF OUR SON IS WITH YOU
IT'S A HUGE RESPONSIBILITY TO LOOK AFTER HIM. HOWEVER, YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON WE COULD TRUST WITH THIS JOB.
WAIT... WE HAVEN'T FINISHED!
THANK YOU FOR THE MEAL. I'LL COME PICK YOU UP TOMORROW...
DON'T KEEP TREATING ME LIKE A KID.
I'M REALLY SORRY...
COME TO MY ROOM.

I'VE ALREADY BETRAYED THE PRESIDENT AND THE MADAM'S TRUST.
THAT'S BE-CAUSE...
I'M NOT TREATING YOU LIKE A KID.
I TRUST YOU'RE A MAN WHO KNOWS WHAT'S EXPECTED OF HIM.
...THANK YOU.
I LOVE YOU, TOO...
...
YOU... LOVE ME, RIGHT?
Why...
Even after what I just said... you're still leaving?
GOOD NIGHT.
THEN, I'LL SEE YOU IN THE MORNING AS USUAL.

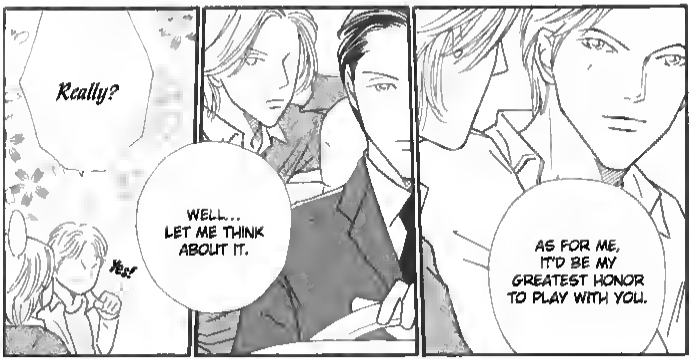
I heard that some people never suspect they are gay...
One thing I do know... I've fallen in love with you...
Actually... I don't even know if I am...
I've never done it...
I'M GAY, BUT YOU'RE NOT...
I know what's exactly expected of me!
"End the game before it gets out of hand."
I TRUST YOU'RE A MAN WHO KNOWS WHAT'S EXPECTED OF HIM...
and be a befitting heir.
build a family of my own.
Take over my father's company.
I follow the path that has been preordained for me...
Like a train following the rail.
Or... maybe even Kishida's, too...
To fulfill my parent's wishes will somehow fulfill mine.
I've nothing against any of that.

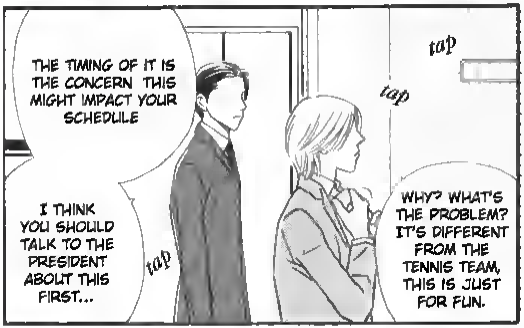

I've already reached my limit...
...Isn't that painful?
You always put them aside!
But you never once consider your feelings
no matter what happens...

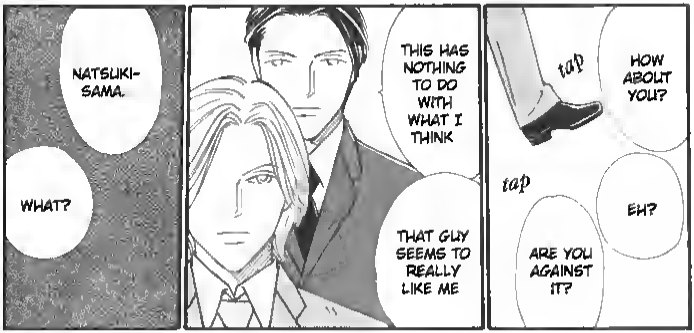
WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING AT?
Snort...
I'M NOT LAUGHING AT ALL.
Get lost!
Bye bye!
Hah!
BYE, MASTER NATSUKI!
GOOD LUCK AND WORK HARD!
AH, YOUR CHAPERONE IS HERE!
AH, SORRY! I'M KAKIZAKI YUUKI,
I'VE STARTED A TENNIS CLUB AND WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING.
knock
knock
MAY I HAVE A WORD PLEASE?
. WHO ARE YOU?

SORRY.
slide
AH, WAIT! YOU'RE THE KUROKAWA-KUN WHO WON THE NATIONAL COMPETITION WHEN YOU WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL! I'M A FAN OF YOURS!
...THANKS.
AH... I MEANT YOUR PLAY.
slide
YOU'RE SO STRONG AND BEAUTIFUL!
HOP ON, I'LL GIVE YOU A LIFT THERE.
I'M ALSO ON MY WAY TO WORK, SO WE CAN TALK IN THE CAR.
EH? NO, I'M ON MY WAY TO MY PART-TIME JOB.
ARE YOU GOING HOME?
WHERE?
SHIBUYA
I HEARD YOU RESIGNED FROM THE TENNIS TEAM. .

AH, I'M JUST AN ORDINARY PERSON
I WAS CHEERING FOR MY SENPAI WHEN I SAW YOUR MATCH.
THEN I HEARD YOU WERE IN OUR UNIVERSITY'S TENNIS TEAM, I WAS REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR PERFORMANCE WHAT A DISAPPOINTMENT.
I HAD ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO PLAY ONLY TILL HIGH SCHOOL ANYWAY.
I SEE! THE COACH OF THE TENNIS TEAM MUST HAVE PURSUED YOU MOST REVERENTLY.
I MADE IT CLEAR THAT I HAD NO TIME TO PLAY. AND THE INSTRUCTOR'S AWARE OF IT.
BECAUSE YOU'VE TO LEARN TO RUN THE COMPANY? SEEMS LIKE IT'S EVEN HARDER THAN UNIVERSITY
...HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL THAT?
YOU'RE FAMOUS!
AS THE HEIR OF THE UFC GROUP, THIS IS EXPECTED OF YOU... NOT THAT I KNOW MUCH OF IT.
BUT YOU NEED TO UNWIND SOMETIMES...
AND I THINK THAT PLAYING TENNIS WILL HELP YOU RELAX...


Really?
Yes!
WELL... LET ME THINK ABOUT IT.
AS FOR ME, IT'D BE MY GREATEST HONOR TO PLAY WITH YOU.


THE TIMING OF IT IS THE CONCERN THIS MIGHT IMPACT YOUR SCHEDULE
I THINK YOU SHOULD TALK TO THE PRESIDENT ABOUT THIS FIRST...
tap
tap
tap
WHY? WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? IT'S DIFFERENT FROM THE TENNIS TEAM, THIS IS JUST FOR FUN.
WERE YOU SERIOUS?


NATSUKI-SAMA.
WHAT?
THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHAT I THINK
THAT GUY SEEMS TO REALLY LIKE ME
tap
tap
HOW ABOUT YOU?
EH?
ARE YOU AGAINST IT?

IF YOU ACCEPTED HIS INVITATION FOR THAT PURPOSE, YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME
WHY?
MY RESOLVE WON'T WAVER.

I'M SORRY TO INTRUDE.
NATSUKI-SAMA..
IT'S ABOUT TIME TO LEAVE, IF NOT WE WON'T MAKE IT..
I SAID ONE MORE MINUTE!
ONE MORE MINUTE.
ALRIGHT, SEE YOU
OKAY, I'LL SEE YOU.

WELCOME BACK.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO COME IN. HAND ME MY BAG.

I'M SORRY...
HOLD ME..
Slap

SLAM...
EH?
NATSUKI ALREADY LEFT WITH KAKIZAKI.
THEY'RE GOING TO PLAY TENNIS AT NATSUKI-KUN'S HOUSE.
EH? OUT AGAIN? DAMN
pon—
pon—

HOW NICE — TO HAVE A COURT IN YOUR HOUSE WHEN DID YOU START PLAYING?
KINDER-GARTEN, I GUESS.
OF COURSE I LOST!
...
REALLY A PITY THAT YOU QUIT!
NATSUKI...

Mm...
...
...
NATSUKI
...
AH...
sh
ove

I ALREADY CONTACTED THE PRESIDENT AND INFORMED HIM THAT YOU WEREN'T FEELING WELL.
HE ASKED THAT YOU REST...
I HATED IT...
EH?
ARE YOU ALRIGHT ...?
I LOATHED HIS TOUCH...
WHY...
IS IT BECAUSE... I'M REALLY NOT GAY
IF IT'S NOT YOU, I DON'T WANT IT...
NATSUKI-SAMA...
I...I REALLY DON'T KNOW ANYMORE!

...
KISHIDA...

Haa..
Ha...
Haa..
Haa!
Ah.
...Ah.

Haa...
...Ha...
I love you.
Uh... ha.

YOU...
IT'S ALREADY TOO LATE!
NO...
DO YOU REGRET THIS?
NATSUKI-SAMA...
...YES?
...
...I'LL NEVER REGRET IT AS LONG AS YOU'RE HAPPY
WHAT?

AGAIN. .
TELL ME AGAIN.
...
IT'S AN ORDER!
I LOVE YOU..

ANOTHER MATCHMAKING?
I TOLD YOU NOT TO DECIDE ON YOUR OWN!
HUH? "MAMA IS WORRIED!?" HOW OLD DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?
OR RATHER, HOW OLD DO YOU THINK I AM?
Vice-president, Saitou-sama is on the line.
Beep
NOPE, CAN'T DO! BUSY WITH WORK!
Flip
MY WEEKENDS ARE BOOKED TOO!

Honestly—
Klank
Beep
URGH— I'LL LISTEN TO YOUR NAGGING WHEN I GET HOME BYE-BYE.
I HAVE A CALL TO TAKE. I'M HANGING UP NOW.
HELLO? KUROKAWA HERE, SORRY TO MAKE YOU WAIT.
...NO, I WAS THE ONE AT FAULT.
...MMM, JUST DOING THE FINAL CHECK. I'LL HAVE MY SECRETARY, KISHIDA, BRING IT OVER WHEN IT'S DONE . THANK YOU.
Ehh
NOT AGAIN ..I'VE JUST FINISHED THE FINAL CHECK.
GOOD WORK.
I THINK THAT GUY HAS FALLEN FOR ME

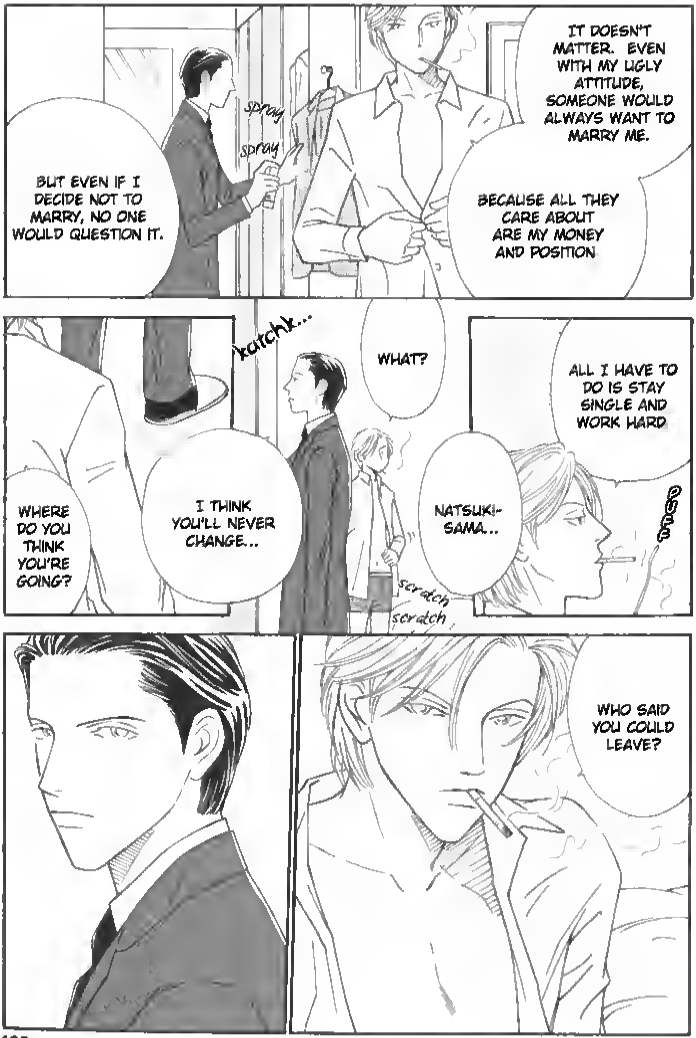
DIDN'T YOU TELL YOUR MOM...
HUH?
DO YOU HAVE ANY PLANS FOR THE WEEKEND?
I MADE PLANS TO PLAY TENNIS WITH YOU IN REVENGE FOR LAST NIGHT!
ANYWAY, LAST NIGHT DOESN'T COUNT! WE NEED TO DO ONE MORE ROUND!
SINCE TENNIS IS THE ONLY WAY I CAN BEAT YOU!
NATSUKI-SAMA...
WHAT!
YOU NEVER CHANGE, DO YOU...
Fu fu.
END

SEE YOU AROUND...
DO YOU DRINK, KUROKAWA-SAN?
WELL... OCCASIONALLY
The Whimsical Vice President
NATSUKI-SAMA...
THAT GUY WAS TRYING TO LURE ME!
tap
tap
THEN, ALLOW ME TO SHOW YOU A GOOD PLACE

DON'T YOU THINK I SHOULD OPEN UP MY BODY FOR THE SAKE OF OUR COMPANY?
tap
HOW WOULD THAT BENEFIT OUR COMPANY?
tap
WHAT? ARE YOU SAYING I'M NOT ATTRACTIVE?
I NEVER SAID THAT.
ARE YOU JEALOUS?
WHY DO YOU KEEP CHANGING THE SUBJECT?
WHAT?
LATELY..
YOU'VE BEEN SPENDING A LOT OF TIME WITH HIS SECRETARY.
HUH?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN "REST ASSURED" ...
DING
WE'RE JUST DISCUSSING WORK. REST ASSURED.
YOU SEEM TO BE ALWAYS TALKING TO HIM INTIMATELY..
IT'S BECAUSE I'M NOT STRESSED.
AREN'T YOU BLUNT LATELY?
NO NEED TO BE JEALOUS
tap
PLEASE STOP CHANGING THE SUBJECT.
ba tam
YOU MEAN I'M STRESSED?

...THAT OLD HAG.
I BET YOU'RE WONDERING WHY I DON'T WANT TO GET MARRIED AND START A FAMILY...?
...YOU HAVE THAT FACE AGAIN...
I'M NOT GOING TO ANY MARRIAGE INTERVIEWS!
BEER
OI! CUT THIS CRAP!
SO I DON'T HAVE TO SEE HER IN PERSON!
flick
NO, I'M JUST WONDERING LIKE ANY NORMAL PERSON, WHY YOU WOULD TALK TO YOUR MOTHER ON THE PHONE WHEN YOU'RE BOTH AT HOME.


IT DOESN'T MATTER. EVEN WITH MY UGLY ATTITUDE, SOMEONE WOULD ALWAYS WANT TO MARRY ME.
BECAUSE ALL THEY CARE ABOUT ARE MY MONEY AND POSITION
spray
spray
BUT EVEN IF I DECIDE NOT TO MARRY, NO ONE WOULD QUESTION IT.
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS STAY SINGLE AND WORK HARD
WHAT?
katchk...
puff
NATSUKI-SAMA...
I THINK YOU'LL NEVER CHANGE...
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?
scratch
scratch
WHO SAID YOU COULD LEAVE?

Mmm..
Wait. Ah...
Kishi..da..
...What...
YOU TOLD ME TO WAIT.
KISHIDA...
YES?
IF YOU DON'T HURRY, I'M GOING TO HIT YOU.
YESSIR.

END

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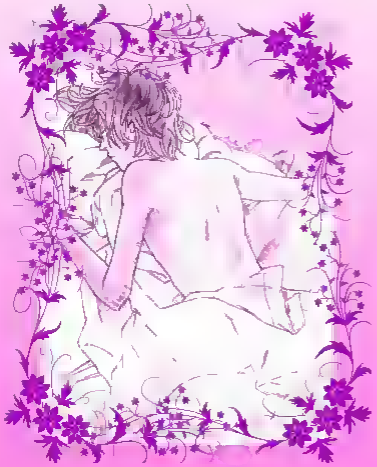

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